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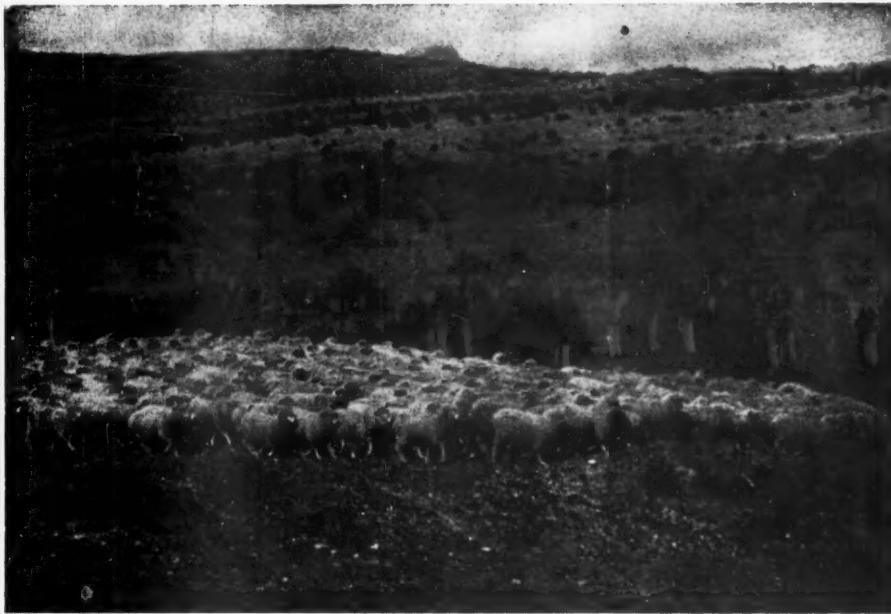
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## GRAZINGS

BY THE EDITOR

## SO QUIT WORRYING ABOUT 'EM

IN OUR selfish unselfishness and egotistical belief that this country has the best of everything and therefore we should give it away to other peoples as fast as possible, we often overlook the fact that we can be wrong. Too many of our people and our leaders believe, it seems, that the only good ideas are our own; the only sensible way of life is that which we live. We criticize and try by money, gifts, and even pressure to change other people's way of life to that of our own when there is every justification that we would be considerably better off if we attended better our business, kept more of our money at home and relaxed to enjoy the consequent reduction in taxes.

We worry about the inadequate diet of peoples the world over. Here is a sample of how wrong we can be; an answer which is provided by the studies of Dr. Robert S. Harris, and his associates at the Nutritional Biochemistry Laboratory at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. In working on a feeding program for the starving and under nourished in foreign lands, Dr. Harris found that people can often be

fed on their own native foods better and more cheaply than those produced in the U. S. A. Take Mexico, for example, children from large families with an income of only 35 cents a day were found no more under nourished than were middle class children in Michiana. To be more specific, Dr. Harris discovered that one Indian tribe with a daily menu of beans, pulque, chili peppers, wild greens, and tortillas had a better diet for health than many of the most favored laborers in the U. S.

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## HERE'S A GOOD QUESTION

THE AMERICAN Cattle Producers of July comes out with a headline Editorial "Wanted - a Secretary for Agriculture". The magazine points out that the Secretary still works for the unwanted "Braman Plan", one of the worst conceived ideas ever to haunt the American Agricultural scene. Also, Braman is going down the line with administration efforts for extension of price controls and more regimentation.

"Isn't it about time that we had a Secretary who is really for Agriculture?" asks the magazine.

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## CONFIDENCE

THE CONFIDENCE of the individual in his government is the keystone of this nation's strength and prosperity. Much has happened in recent months to weaken that confidence and sad as it is the questioning going on in the hearts of many people is justified.

In spite of all that authorities of and leaders in the livestock industry tried to explain and point out the Office of Price Stabilization under DiSalle continues to follow a course so obviously unfair that heavy misgivings gather in the hearts of the people. "Can this be happening here?"

"Consumers are being misled by untrue statements of OPS," declares P. O. Wilson, Secretary-Manager of the National Livestock Producers Association.

"We are afraid to move," declare some livestock men and others interested in the industry.

"Are we coming to a government of fear?"

The other day I saw a man's eyes fill with tears of rage and helplessness. I heard him say, "It is a hell of a note when your own government robs you! I'll never try again. Let someone else take the chances to make money for those buzzards in Washington."

It is something to think about.

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Even some of the most conservative automobile engineers agree that except in special hard usage it is not necessary to change oil in your automobile at 1,000-mile intervals. When maintenance is good, oil is of high quality, filters are used, and sustained operations are the rule, drainage periods may be as far apart as 6,000 miles and even more under most favorable circumstances. Why waste oil and money?

## LOTS OF GOVERNMENT LAND

WEST TEXAS sheepmen and their families coming back from the National Ram Sale at Salt Lake City have had some wonderful tales to tell about their side trips to various vacation spots. There are plenty of them - so many that the average person could never save up enough to vacation in all of them, but, according to reports, the federal government has grabbed some 51 million dollars in park fees from the visitors so far this year.

The extent of Federal control over lands in the northwestern area is amazing and even the most optimistic is inclined to pause when it is understood that there are some 180 million acres of recreation area in the 150 national forests alone, with 100 million acres of hunting country and 14 million acres of wilderness. And of course other government land is scattered around owned under one pretext or another.

More than half of some states such as Arizona, Oregon, and Idaho is under federal control. Under such control the land pays no taxes to local and state governments.

Much of the land area with a great potential is being wasted. Even the handful of government bureaus in charge argue as to the best use of government lands but none argue that there are too many acres of government lands.

These lands are available to the vacationing public through the taxpayers dollars. Income and excise taxes now amount to about a third of the average family income - more than he puts aside for saving, more than he spends for food.

Texas has been until recent years free of the inroads of federal land ownership. But no longer is this true; tens of thousands of acres of land has become a part of the federal domain and the Tidelands have been confiscated.

Perhaps the time has come for the public to have a little less government scenery to look at, to have considerably less land to stand idle without economic functions. Here is another way to check up on the spending of the tax dollar.

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Last year the Federal Bureau of Supply announced that no more premium gasoline was to be used in government trucks and cars. It is another indication that in many instances higher prices on premium gasoline serves no better than ordinary gasoline contrary to high pressure advertising. In fact, non-premium gasoline from some refineries is actually better than premium gasoline from others. Look to your car's spark adjustment and that may be all that is needed to save you many gasoline dollars.

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The minute we say to ourselves we have succeeded, we have confessed failure. A man who is doing his best each day is truly alive, but a man who did his best yesterday is starting to die.

-Thomas J. Watson

# USDA Urges Use of Scourable Paint Kemp's Branding Liquid Scours Out

## PROFIT BOOST PROMISED WOOL RAISERS AS FIRST LANOLIN-BASED BRANDING PAINT ENDS OLD SCOURING PROBLEM

A bigger financial return on raw wool is in store for sheep raisers. U. S. Department of Agriculture officials, after years of intensive research, suggest use of lanolin formula as long sought solution for a branding paint durable enough to withstand range conditions and be distinguishable for a minimum of one year and still be completely removable in ordinary scouring solution. This means lower handling costs for the mills who in turn will be willing to pay more to the wool growers who use scourable paint. This announcement explains the sweeping popularity and success of KEMP'S Branding Liquid with sheepmen throughout the country — the first fully perfected and tested branding paint containing lanolin.

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# From the Association Office . . .

## STILL HOPE ON MEXICAN LABOR

W. B. McFARLAND of the U. S. Employment Service, Regional Office, Dallas, is expected to be present at the Brackettville meeting, where he will discuss a newly proposed method by which Mexican Nationals can be hired for ranch work.

The plan will move through the State Department where a man, or men, will be specified by name and will come into this country on a temporary visa. It will have nothing to do with the 1951 migrant labor agreement which excludes ranch labor entirely. A test case has already begun to bring workers in under this plan.

McFarland was a member of the Mexico City labor agreement conference, along with other members of our State and Labor Departments.

The Association office has been in constant touch with the congressmen, senators and State Department since the labor talks and the legislation were first introduced. The TS&GRA secretary talked with a State Department representative at the Mexico City conference in regard to Association representatives attending the meeting, but was advised that such a trip would be unnecessary.

Since it became known that the 1951 agreement excluded ranch labor, President Roddie has sent letters to the Secretaries of State and Labor calling attention to the importance of this section as a producer of great amounts of food and fibre, and the development of the ranch industry for generations. He asked that they do everything possible to get the definition of "agriculture" changed to include ranch labor. He emphasized that "ranchmen, particularly members of this organization, have cooperated with their government in the hiring of Mexican Nationals since the first international agreement was initiated during the war years." He also said that this refusal to allow entry for ranch work "came as a great shock."

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## DROUTH RATES ASKED

A PETITION has been filed by Chas. Stewart, traffic council, for this Association and for the Cattle Raisers asking for emergency freight rates on hay and concentrated feeds in Texas as drouth areas.

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## FLOYD LEE TO ATTEND EL PASO CONVENTION

FLOYD LEE, president of the New Mexico Wool Growers Association, has accepted the invitation of this Association to be present at its 36th annual convention in El Paso, November 5-7.

The Hotel Paso del Norte is headquarters for the convention and reservations are coming in rapidly.

## TEXANS ATTEND NAT'L MEETING

PRESIDENT FRANK RODDIE and Secretary Ernest Williams of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association attended the Executive Committee meeting of the National Wool Growers Association in Salt Lake City, August 22.

The proposed budget for the 1951-1952 year was presented for a total of \$50,000, which was \$2,000 more than for the current year. This is the amount to be raised by the states. It is noted that the quota for Texas is increased by about \$750 to a total of \$12,221.00. The various state quotas are based on the sheep population in the state, but only 50 per cent of the sheep number in Texas is considered because Texas does not have any interest in public lands or in grazing lands. Even counting only 50 per cent, the Texas number is still nearly twice that of the next highest state, which is Wyoming.

Considerable discussion was held on the proposed program for increased production of lamb and wool. This is to be the answer to the government's plan to subsidize the increased manufacture of synthetics. National President Bill Stiewer appointed a committee to report back to the annual convention on this matter. The Executive Committee went on record as opposing any amortization program.

National Secretary J. M. Jones, reporting briefly on price rollbacks and ceilings, stated that under the recently passed O.P.S. bill, ceilings on wool could be 90 per cent of the May 19, 1951 price. This could mean a rollback from \$3.35 to \$2.65 per clean pound if the O.P.S. cares to do so. Ceilings on lamb are still being held up but presumably will be based on the Denver price with east and west differentials. On livestock allocation, Jones said that some small packers in Indiana were the cause of Senator Capchart's introducing a new bill to re-employ these allocations which were left out of the bill.

A report on the scabies meeting in May noted that every Western state has approved the use of BHC as a result of that meeting. Secretary Williams of Texas reported that there were no known scabies cases in Texas and further stated that though he felt there would be further outbreaks, the situation was well in hand with the increased equipment and personnel and the acceptance of BHC dip. He said that according to reports from Louisiana that state is making an honest effort to clean up scabies.

The Committee accepted the invitation of Chicago to hold the 1952 national convention in that city.

### American Wool Council

Texan Steve Stumberg was named to fill a vacancy on the Board of Directors of the Wool Bureau created

## DIRECTORS TO MEET IN BRACKETTVILLE, SEPTEMBER 7-8

ALVIS BELCHER of Brackettville, Sheep and Goat Raiser Director and local chairman of arrangements for the Quarterly Directors meeting at Brackettville, September 7-8 announces the following program for the Association and the Auxiliary:

### DIRECTORS PROGRAM

Friday, September 7

Registration: 2:00-5:00 p. m. — Fort Clark Ranch Headquarters  
Dinner: 7:00-8:00 p. m. — Fort Clark Ranch Dining Room  
Dance: 9:00-12:00 p. m. — Patio, adjacent to Headquarters Bldg.

Saturday, September 8

Breakfast: 7:30-8:30 a. m. — Fort Clark Ranch Dining Room  
Committee Meetings: 8:30-9:30 a. m. — Post Administration Building, Lower Parade Ground

Wool and Mohair Committee  
Warehouse and Dues Committee  
College, Research and Extension Committee  
Livestock Theft Committee  
Predatory Animal Committee  
Lamb Committee  
General Resolutions Committee

General Meeting: 10:00 a. m. — 1:00 p. m. — Conference Hall, adjacent to Ranch Headquarters

Invocation — Reverend Ed. P. Harrison, O. M. I.

Address of Welcome — Allen H. Kreiger

Barbecue: 1:30-2:30 p. m. — Fort Clark Ranch Swimming Pool

### AUXILIARY PROGRAM

Friday, September 7

Registration: 2:00-5:00 p. m. — Fort Clark Ranch Headquarters  
Dinner: 7:00-8:00 p. m. — Fort Clark Ranch Dining Room  
Dance: 9:00-12:00 p. m. — Patio, adjacent to Headquarters Bldg.

Saturday, September 8

Breakfast: 7:30-8:30 a. m. — Fort Clark Ranch Dining Room  
General Meeting: 9:30 a. m. — Wainwright House  
Address of Welcome — Major H. J. Manney

Barbecue: 1:30-2:30 p. m. — Fort Clark Ranch Swimming Pool

## RATES AND ROUTE SET FOR PORTLAND TRIP

by the elevation of F. Eugene Ackerman to the office of Wool Bureau president. The election was held during the American Wool council meeting prior to the executive meeting.

Considerable discussion was held on the recent governmental statements on increased manufacture of synthetics. The consensus was that the recent utterances by Eric Johnston and others were made to break wool prices and help get an international wool allocation. There was considerable discussion as to whether or not the Wool Bureau should change from promotion of 100 per cent wool to promoting anything which contained wool in any amount. There was an acceptance of the fact that synthetics were making inroads on wool, that it was getting better, but that as of now it still did not possess the properties of wool. It was stated that the Wool Bureau was certainly watching synthetics but was not ready to make any change in its promotion of 100 per cent wool.

It was again brought out that there were too few manufacturers who were members of the American Wool Council.

In discussing the budget of the Wool Bureau, it was stated that the expenditures for 1950-1951 would total \$421,379.00 and that \$558,100 had been budgeted for 1951-1952.

American interests, producers, packers, manufacturers and wool trade contributed to this fund \$25,000 — the balance being given by the British dominions.

It will be a ten-day trip, including the time spent in Portland, through some of the United States' most beautiful scenery for those who ride the special train from Texas to Portland, Oregon, for the annual convention of the National Wool Growers Association, December 4, 5, 6 and 7.

If present plans work out, the special will leave San Angelo at midnight, Friday, November 30, and arrive in San Francisco via the Santa Fe about 4:00 Sunday afternoon, December 2.

The train will be held here for nearly 24 hours to give trippers a chance to see the city by night and by day.

It will leave San Francisco at 1:00 p.m., Monday, December 3, and will arrive in Portland the next afternoon at 1:00 p.m., in time for registration and the opening session of the convention. This last leg of the journey will be over the Southern Pacific lines through the California Redwood Country.

Though the convention will end the afternoon of December 7, present plans are to delay leaving until 8:00 a. m. the following morning for a daylight run up the Columbia River on the return journey. The route goes past the Bonneville Dam on the Union Pacific and from there on through Idaho into Utah.

The train will arrive in Salt Lake

City about 9:00 a.m. the following morning. No stop is planned anywhere on the return trip. Denver will be reached at about midnight, December 9, after a daylight trip through the Rockies.

The train will arrive in San Angelo at about 9:30 p.m., December 10.

With a minimum of 125 passengers the round trip rail and Pullman fares, including tax, will be as follows: One person in Lower Berth \$212.96 Two in Lower Berth \$156.20 (each) One person in Upper Berth \$200.08 One person in Compartment \$296.34 Two in Compartment \$234.50 (each) One in Drawing Room \$361.29 Two in Drawing Room \$261.15 (each)

## WOOL OUTLOOK

WORLD SHEEP numbers are estimated to be 4% above that of 1950 — and rapidly getting back to normal. Consumption, also, shows worldwide acceleration. The American public with defense money to spend is expected to spur the movement of price and consumption. There is little reason to expect any extra high prices for wool nor is there reason for trepidation as to a collapse of the market. Rather, every indication is that wool prices are to steady and get firmer — and stay that way for a long time.

Most of the foxy boys of the wool industry feel that of all segments of livestock production, the production of sheep has the brightest future for the next several years.

The 1951 wool support price is about 51 cents per grease pound, nationally, but little wool is expected to go to the government this year.

Prices of sheep, and all livestock for that matter, would take a considerable hop if the current southwestern drought were to break. Growers would take a firmer stand and with more backbone they would demand and probably get higher prices all around.

### Synthetic Wool Stink

That news item of July 5 appearing in the Wall Street Journal, Washington, created a furore that reached throughout the country. "Economic Stabilizer Eric Johnston," went the report, "told the Senate Finance Committee that the Government soon may give some direct assistance to industry to speed the production of synthetic wool."

There was more but that's enough to give the idea. The stir that this news item created was far-reaching with every segment of the wool industry piling on poor Eric.

As for Eric, he doesn't know nuthin'. Wool Bureau investigation revealed only "twin myths".

## HALBERT AND FAWCETT BUY MISSOURI LAND

R. A. HALBERT and Lee Fawcett of Sonora have purchased 1,300 acres in Jasper County, Missouri, about 45 miles from Springfield. Located in the southwestern part of the state, the land lies on the north side of Highway 66. There are two sets of improvements on the acreage and the Texans plan more changes and additions.

The land is divided into 15 pastures with 320 acres in bluestem, 320 acres

in lespediza, 100 acres in soybeans and 100 acres of corn and some alfalfa.

The firm of Halbert and Fawcett experienced a dire feed problem this year with scarce precipitation in the Sonora country and a large herd of polled Herefords to feed. They have already sent 300 cows with 135 calves to the Missouri country. They plan to keep 100 heifer calves and all the yearling and two-year-old heifers at the Texas ranch.

Jake Mayfield, Del Rio and Juno ranchman, sold his Panama-Rambouillet lamb to Jimmy Mills of Del Rio. They averaged 72 pounds.

Mayfield sold his ewes at \$34 per hundred pounds and \$29.75 for his muttons.

## WHERE'S THAT SAVING?

A UNITED Press release a few days ago reveals some news which apparently surprises nobody. Evidently nobody expected any results and they haven't been disappointed.

The news item declared that although six months have elapsed since Chas. Brannan, Secretary of Agriculture, issued a directive ordering his Production and Marketing Administration and Soil Conservation Service to merge at state and county levels, "Yet not a single progress report on the consolidation program has been made public by the department."

It looks as if the department is in no hurry to achieve the objectives of the consolidation which Secretary Brannan declared was to "increase administrative effectiveness and economy in the department's conservation program."

The order which became effective on the date issued — not only required agencies to coordinate their programs, but to get together under one roof so the government could save money on rentals, equipment and janitor services.

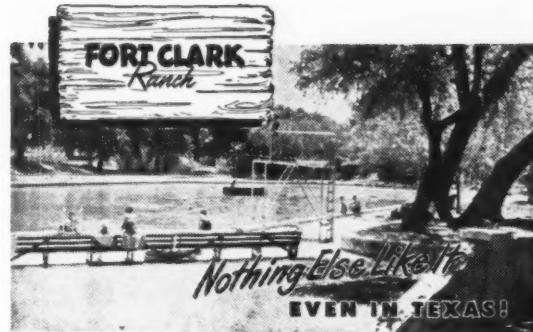
Persistent digging by a reporter today revealed that a half year's effort to get state PMA and SCS agencies together has resulted in only one actual consolidation — in the tiny state of Delaware.

A strange reluctance on the part of PMA and SCS officials to do any actual cost reducing such as lopping off unnecessary employees, curtailing office expenses may be accounted for in the statement of one of the agency officials who said "We have the money. We might as well spend it."

Again another said, "The consolidation of the two departments mean more employees, more expense, not less."

Who is fooling who? The country may need the PM A — that is debatable. It certainly needs an efficient Soil Conservation Service. If there is any honest effort to coordinate and systematize these two government agencies according to Secretary Brannan's directive, we'd like to be able to pass the news on.

Also, we believe the average taxpayer whose patience is beyond belief, would be happy to see some concrete results.



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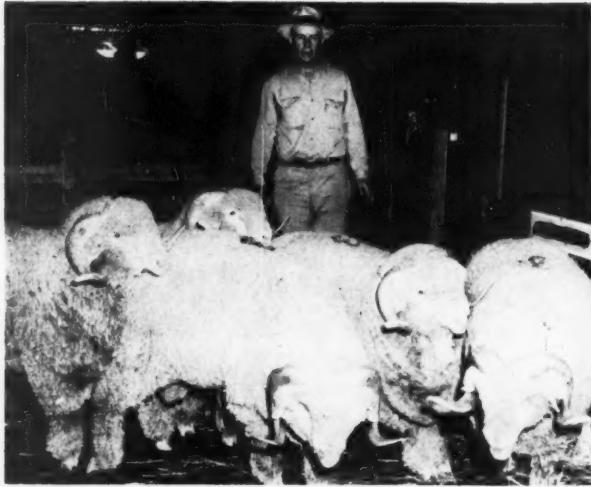
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**RECORD BREAKERS** — A New National Record for a pen of five rams was established at Pendleton, Oregon, August 23rd, at \$660.00, when this pen of John K. Madsen Rambouillet rams sold to Leo Hahn of Antelope, Oregon, during the Oregon Ram Sale. Bill Olsen, Manager, John K. Madsen Rambouillet Farms with rams.

The Joe Tom Davis lambs were purchased from George Montgomery of Ozona by Russell Hayes of San Angelo. Hayes also received 1,600 lambs from the Marathon and Marfa areas August 24.

Many calves are still being sold in the Mason area at 37 and 38 cents and some higher.

Johnnie Martin, San Angelo livestock dealer bought 1,800 aged ewes from the Noelke Estate at 11 cents per pound and \$13.50 per head during the first week in August.

Al Dumain of San Angelo sold 1,200 ewe and mutton lambs at 30½ cents a pound. The lambs were white-face crossbred.



**JUNCTION SALE TOPPER** — E. E. Daugherty of Leakey (left) purchased this Angora buck from Joe M. Gardner of Roosevelt (right) for \$430 to top the annual Hill Country Sale in Junction. Daugherty sold the second highest price billy of the sale to Winkel Polled Hereford Ranch of Llano for \$305.



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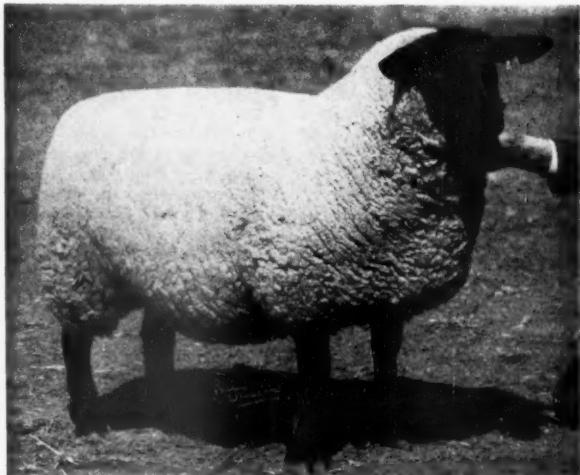
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### WOOL CLIP

THE USDA figures on the 1951 Texas wool clip may or may not be accurate but they indicate that from 7,053,000 head of sheep there will be shorn 51,945,000 pounds of wool or one percent less wool than shorn last year. Our guess is that the government boys haven't figured on the drouth as much as the sheepmen and that it will be a hard push to reach a clip of 50,000,000 pounds. Average fleece weight is figured to be slightly less than 7.5 pounds.

pound. He expects the lambs to weigh 62 or 63 pounds at delivery time, September 15. He is keeping his ewe lambs for replacements.

**HARVEY MARTIN** of San Angelo bought 750 head of the Len Mertz mixed lambs at 29 cents a pound and two loads of mixed lambs from Orville Schlinke of Arden at 28½ cents a pound.

**AMOS WOMBLE**, San Angelo commission man, bought 1,200 feeder lambs from O. L. Richardson of Sonora recently. He also got 4,000 lambs for immediate delivery from Cleve Jones of Sonora. Prices were 29 to 29½ cents a pound and the average weight was around 60 pounds.

**L. C. JAMESON**, Talpa ranchman, has sold 300 Corriedale-Delaine cross-bred mutton lambs at 30 cents a

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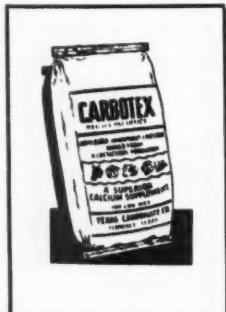
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# Analyzing Livestock And Meat Situation

By Sheep and Goat Raiser Chicago Bureau

A MID-AUGUST look at livestock markets, current and to come, saw:

1. Highly competitive buying of stocker and feeder cattle and calves all over the country. Briskest trade was probably at Cornbelt market centers.

2. Much the same situation in feeder lambs, but not so much so. For feeder lambs had taken a five cent to \$1.00 break at intermountain markets. Cornbelt inquiry was broad, however. How many lambs Kansas would feed was being debated, orders from that source showing up in Denver, Texas and elsewhere.

3. A brisk, and for the time being, unbreakable market in good to prime steers, yearlings and heifers. Not one but a dozen loads a day of prime fed steers were topping the market at \$39.00 at Chicago.

4. Out west fat lambs had been pushed below \$32.00. But eastern and Southern markets uncovered \$34.00 as seasonal supplies abated and shippers had to seek mid-western trade centers. Demand for breeding ewes of all ages was expanding. Everyone was looking for the emergence of a market on wool out of the dormant mess sur-

rounding that trade. Little solace came from New Zealand where sales were resumed after a strike was finally settled.

5. Hogs had evidently passed peak prices without getting anywhere near \$25.00. Light hogs were starting at eastern and southern markets. Sow runs were dwindling slowly. Naturally the spread between light hogs and sows had narrowed considerably. Explaining why the hog market blew up when top had approached \$24.00 at Chicago, pork packers said they simply couldn't make the mare go at ceiling prices allotted when pork was frozen back in January. Some talked of closing up shop, or of bankruptcy. Yet hogs and pork remained very low by contrast with other meats. Nothing more had been heard about OPS's dollar and cent ceilings. Much was being heard, however, how uneven pork ceilings had worked to the detriment of the industry, meanwhile giving consumers little if any benefit. Top light hogs had sunk to \$23.00 on their evident way down but 400 lb. sows were bringing better than \$19.

6. Not only were pork packers howling but big packers were patently out of the cattle trade, or nearly so. The reason was DiSalle's compliance rules, something that wasn't ruled out when future rollbacks were cancelled. Big packers simply couldn't work in full, naturally suffering big financial losses meanwhile. But unhampered by erstwhile quota rules, shippers and small killers bought choice cattle hungrily, and took enough lower grades so that along with replacement demand as a competitive factor, there hadn't been much decline in "cheap" cattle. Thus the much-talked-about sharp break on grassers and shortfeds, cows, bulls and the like had been forestalled, at least slowed down for a while. Texas calves, yearlings and heavier feeders were selling freely up north at \$31.00 to \$36.00 and better. Local cattle with merit were being picked up aggressively to feed and graze within the above price range. Short term finishers were interested in two-way feeding cattle at \$34.00 to \$35.00. That was one reason big killers at least couldn't move, for these as well as cattle in a higher set of brackets were dollars above compliance. On a 13,000 head early August run at Chicago one big packer was able to find exactly five head that would fit DiSalle's formula. A week later on a run of 14,000 head, the same packer got 118 head, mostly bulls. There was talk that compliance might be scuttled so as to let big operators accumulate some beef not only for the public but also for the military.

7. Most fat steers remained active at \$34.50 to \$38.50. Only scattered lots brought \$28.00 to \$32.00. A higher percentage of choice fed yearlings, both steers and heifers, was beginning

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to run. Grassers were trekking out of bluestem pastures, out of the Dakotas, but grass runs from the Northwest were still to come. Choice and prime beef in retail shops sold as much as 20 cents under federal ceilings, but all cheaper cuts were right on the allowable price beam — if not above. This provided another reason why the widely predicted break in lower grade cattle, including cows and the like, may be still further delayed. Very evidently there was nothing wrong with the market on "mine-run" beef. When this had been cleared up, as it always was, many retailers were able to whedgle consumers into paying more than they wanted to pay for artistically marrable standing roasts and steaks. These and other signs made many in the trade believe that stocker and feeder cattle, even on post-rollback abandonment buying, may not be much if any too high.

8. For a lot of cheap gains are in sight this fall. There are oodles of late pasture grass and silage. Broiling temperatures continued in Texas but the weather up north looked like an early fall, and maybe a lot of immature corn. A big cotton crop led many to predict lower prices for cotton seed cake, with other commercial feeds sympathetically cheaper. Many more cattle might be needed for cornfields, trade stories recounted. Every week in August saw more range cattle contracted out west. And every week more suitable kinds of all weights, sold to go back at big and little market centers. It was simply a revival following settlement of the August and October rollback burden. Finishers bought heavy lambs to run to market early while orders accumulated for light lambs for late fall and winter. After losing money early more Southwest yearling wethers were touched up with enough grain to bring \$28.25 to \$29.00, and thus pay their way. At least moderate breadth featured demand for breeding ewes, and ewe lambs, all killing sheep and lambs continuing to sell well above a year earlier even though wool has been slipping back toward pre-Korean levels to so undermine buyers' pelt "credits" that some believe that many winter lamb finishers are buying blind simply because there is no other way, under current wool conditions, to operate.

## GUY HUTCHINSON MOVES OFFICE

GUY HUTCHINSON of Uvalde, Grass Seed Broker, has moved his office in Uvalde to 104 East Nopal Street.

He plans to open still another office soon in San Antonio.

Otho Drake, San Angelo commission dealer, recently transacted a sheep deal at Marfa involving 1,000 yearling ewes. The ewes from Carroll Brunley of Marfa went to Dennis Brothers, John and Bert, of Snyder at \$28, for delivery August 28.

Drake purchased from the Dennis Brothers 1,000 mutton lambs at 30 cents a pound for September 1 delivery.

W. C. Bourne of Wiley, Colorado, got 500 aged ewes from Otho Drake at \$16.50 per head.

# New ABC's of Animal Nutrition

**A** stands for antibiotics . . . **B** for B-12 . . . **C** for carotene . . . and so on down the new alphabet which livestock and poultry people are learning today. There's a long list of newly found aids to better health, faster growth and better gains for livestock . . . to more meat for America . . . to better earnings for producers.

**A** for the antibiotics— aureomycin, penicillin, streptomycin, terramycin, many more. Nobody knows quite why, but added in tiny amounts to hog, calf and poultry rations (not for sheep or adult cattle), they often seem to speed growth, especially of animals in subnormal condition. Most runty pigs catch up with the litter, make 10 to 20% faster gains. Diseases in turkey flocks can be reduced, and the time from poults to market-weight bird speeded up.

**B** for B-12—We know now that this is the vitamin which made APF famous. Found in its natural state in such packing house by-products as meat scraps and tankage (also manufactured by fermentation process), this working partner of the antibiotics is making more meat at lower feed cost. Broilers, for example, are ready for market in 10 to 11 weeks, instead of 12 to 15.

**C** for carotene—Found in the green leaves of growing grasses, legumes and other plants, carotene helps cattle, hogs and poultry produce vitamin A as they digest their feeds. Vitamin A is a must if livestock is to live and be thrifty.

Those are a few of the many new things recently learned about the science and economics of animal feeding. In a very few years research has added many pounds to the meat output per acre of grass or grain—shortened feeding periods, increased animal livability. All of this adds to the supply of meat for our people, and is the farmers' and ranchers' contribution to our country's strength.

And many other promising things are probably over the horizon. Experiment stations are working on the use of thyroproteins and hormones in cattle feeding. There's growing knowledge about the importance of cobalt and other trace elements to livestock. At federal and state experiment stations, in many a private laboratory, these and many other little-known areas of animal nutrition are being explored and charted. And thus, as has happened so often in the past, the study of animal nutrition is blazing the trail to better human nutrition also. Your local county agent, your high school and college agricultural instructors, your agricultural publications can keep you informed.

## Quotes of the Month

"In the democratic way of life it is not 'the best things in life are free,' but rather 'the best things in life are worth working for.' Certainly good food is one of the best things in life."

Dr. Ruth M. Leverton  
Professor of Nutrition Research  
University of Nebraska

"How can consumers be educated to the fact that food will have its price, in regular market channels or in the black market, and not because farmers say so, but because they, the purchasers, say so?"

Dr. Herrell De Graff  
National Institute of Animal Agriculture

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## A Meaty Mouthful

Americans all like to eat good wholesome food, especially meat. To you producers we give praise, and gobble up the meat you raise. It seems we never get too much of beef, pork chops, veal, lamb and such. And so demand "eats up" supply as U.S. housewives buy and buy. Yet prices vary, week to week, for reasons not too hard to seek. When scads of hogs pour into town, the price of pork then soon comes down; but when hog marketings are slow—why, up pork's price is sure to go. Still, whether prices rise or fall on meat, we eat it all. The problem's never surplus meat—you can't raise more than we can eat. But prices change, across the land, as you supply and folks demand.

Soda Bill Sez . . .

Government controls are like thistles in a corn field . . . they grow fast and are hard to get rid of.

## Balance Roughage and Concentrates for Lambs

by Rufus F. Cox  
Head of Animal Husbandry Department,  
Kansas State College, Manhattan, Kansas

Lambs fed the most concentrated rations do not always fatten fastest nor most economically, Kansas experiments show.

A series of experiments has been run to test the physical balance of rations. They were designed to determine whether the ratio of concentrates to roughage was a factor in determining the efficiency of feed utilization.

The most noteworthy result of these tests is that regardless of the kind or combination of feeds used, lambs fed rations of medium concentration made larger and more economical gains and were as well finished as lambs fed either more bulky or more concentrated rations. It was concluded from these experiments that an optimum physical balance actually exists for lambs. Thus as bulky rations are increased in concentration, the gains increase up to a certain level. Then, as the concentration is further increased, the gains and efficiency of feed utilization turn downward. It was further proved that the gains made by lambs are not always positively correlated with either the dry matter intake or the total digestible nutrient intake. Rather, the gains and the efficiency of feed utilization clearly follow a certain balance between these two factors.

Experimental work at various State Experiment Stations is showing that physical balance in rations for ruminants may be fully as important as chemical balance.

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## Big "Know-How" is Good!

In times of national emergency, I often notice quite a change in the thinking of some folks. I have in mind those who criticize business just for being big.

However, when up against the need for large scale production and distribution of materials and food, the government often turns for "know-how" to businessmen—little and big. This, of course, is a sensible thing to do. And isn't it fortunate that our nation can take advantage of the fact that we have a ready source of successful and experienced management to turn to?

Another thing. When emergencies arise, it's often in business that we find the specially trained manpower used to dealing with big, complicated problems and big, complicated operations. Many businessmen resign from their companies and join the government—to help handle the problems created by the emergency. Others give their experienced counsel on the organization of many important government projects.

Personally, I have never gone along with those who argue that it is bad to be big. For bigness means growth and is a reward of valuable service. It is my own conviction that business—both "big," medium and small—helps the American people live better, at lower cost. And I maintain that our nation's businesses of all sizes form one of the essentials in the defense of all the big and little things for **F.M. Simpson**, which America stands.

*Agricultural Research Dept.*

### Martha Legan's Recipe for BEEFARONI SALAD

Yield: 2 qts. (8 to 10 servings)	2 tbsp. pickle relish
1 pound hamburger	2 tbsp. finely chopped onion
2 cups shell macaroni	1 teaspoon salt
1/2 cup chopped onion	2 cups salad dressing
1 teaspoon salt	1 carrot, shredded

Brown the hamburger slightly. Drain off drippings and chill the meat. Boil macaroni and 1/4 cup onion in salted water 15 minutes. Drain and chill. Combine chilled hamburger, macaroni, pickle relish, finely chopped onion, salt, salad dressing and carrot. Mix well. Chill about 2 hours.

Variation: Add 1/2 cup chopped celery, 2 tablespoons chopped green pepper, or 1/4 cup sliced pimento olives.



Rufus F. Cox

# Reagan Buck Tops TAGRA Show and Sale

J. B. REAGAN, Sr., of Leakey, vice-president of the Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association, showed the champion B-Type buck of the annual show and sale at Rocksprings, August 3-4. The yearling billy was first in his class,



**NEW RECORD HIGH** — Howard Hay of Bandera, (left) purchased the champion B-Type buck of the 32nd Annual Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association Show and Sale. The buck brought \$725, which was the highest price ever paid for a billy in the annals of the Association, to his consignor, J. B. Reagan, Sr. of Leakey (right). This buck, a yearling, was also first in his class, a member of the first get-of-sire class and first in the Richey Special Division. Note ribbons and silver goblet on the champion's neck.



**RE-ELECTED OFFICIALS** — The entire staff of officers of the Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association was re-elected for the coming year at the Rocksprings annual meeting. Left to right they are: Pete Gully of Uvalde, secretary; W. S. Orr of Rocksprings, first vice-president; Joe Brown Ross of Sonora, president; and J. B. Reagan, Sr. of Leakey, second vice-president.

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a member of the first get-of-sire, and first in the Richey Special Division. This Reagan goat sold for the highest price recorded in the history of the TAGRA sales, \$725. The buyer was Howard Hay of Bandera.

Champion B-Type doe was shown by Arthur Davis of Sabinal.

C-Type champions were exhibited by young breeders, Russell Koontz, Jr., of Bandera with the top buck, and Joe David Ross of Sonora with the high point doe.

Judges for the 300 goats in the show were Marvin Skaggs of Junction for the C-Type, and Fred Earwood of Sonora for the B-Type.

Pete Gully, Association Secretary, was auctioneer for the sale. An average of \$98 per head was received for 116 billies which went through the ring. The top 25 billies averaged \$186. Does averaged \$59.

Another Reagan buck sold for \$525 to Bob and Arthur Davis of Sabinal and two goats of Reagan breeding went at \$250 each to Payne Kudasil of Rocksprings and Weldon Welgenhausen of Fredericksburg. Reagan also sold one for \$275 to Harold Huff of Rocksprings. J. B. Reagan, Jr. sold a buck to Walker Epperson of Rocksprings at \$300.

Arthur Davis sold a top buck to C. F. Briggs of Del Rio for \$225 and another to Jim Merck of Sonora for \$200.

Volume buyers were Wittenberg & Sons of Del Rio buying 14 head for \$850; Howard Hay with four head at \$940; Richard Brotherton of Del Rio took 11 for \$670; Wardlaw Bros. of Del Rio got eight for \$665; Glen Nichols of Goldthwaite bought 16 for \$596; and Raymond Pfluger of Eden took six at \$395.

Complete show results follow:

### B-Type

Buck — 2 years and older — 9 head entered: 1, Chas. Orr, Rocksprings; 2, W. S. Orr, Rocksprings; 3, S. W. Dismukes, Rocksprings; 4, W. S. Orr; 5, Chas. Orr.

Buck — 1 year and under 2, and A.A.G.B.A. Special — 18 head entered: 1, J. B. Reagan, Leakey; 2, J. B. Reagan; 3, J. B. Reagan; 4, Arthur Davis, Sabinal; 5, H. R. Sites, Wimberly; 6, Arthur Davis; 7, C. H. Chaney, Utopia; 8, S. W. Dismukes; 9, Chas. Orr; 10, W. S. Orr.

Buck kid under 1 year — 11 head entered: 1, Arthur Davis; 2, Bobby Sites, Wimberly; 3, Joe Davis, Ross, Sonora; 4, Bobby Sites; 5, W. S. Orr.

Champion Buck — J. B. Reagan.

Doe — 2 years and older — 6 head entered: 1, S. W. Dismukes; 2, Albert Jenkins, Rocksprings; 3, Brooks Sweeten, Rocksprings; 4, Brooks Sweeten; 5, Chas. Orr.

Doe — 1 year and under 2, and A.A.G.B.A. Special — 8 head entered: 1, Arthur Davis; 2, J. B. Reagan; 3, J. B. Reagan; 4, Chas. Orr; 5, Chas. Orr; 6, Bill Orr; 7, J. B. Reagan.

Doe kid under 1 year — 7 head entered: 1, Bobby Sites; 2, Joe David Ross; 3, Joe David Ross; 4, Bill Orr; 5, Bill Orr.

Champion Doe — Arthur Davis.

Get-of-Sire: 1, J. B. Reagan; 2, Chas. Orr; 3, Arthur Davis; 4, Bill Orr.

Breeder's flock: 1, Chas. Orr; 2, Bill Orr.

### C-Type

Buck — 2 years and older — 10 head entered: 1, Russell Koontz & Son, Bandera; 2, Arthur Davis; 3, Bob Davis, Uvalde; 4, Joe David Ross; 5, H. R. Sites.

Buck — 1 year and under 2, and A.A.G.B.A. Special — 14 head entered: 1, Bobby Sites; 2, Joe David Ross; 3, Albert Jenkins; 4, Chas. Orr; 5, Russell Koontz, Jr.; 6, Bobby Sites; 7, W. S. Orr; 8, Bob Davis; 9, Russell Koontz; 10, Joe Brown Ross.

Buck kid under 1 year — 9 head entered: 1, Joe Brown Ross; 2, Bobby



**B-TYPE CHAMPION DOE** — Arthur Davis of Sabinal showed this B-type doe to the championship of the 32nd Annual Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association show. Silver goblets were given to the four champions this year.

Sites: 3, Russell Koontz; 4, Chas. Orr; 5, Bobby Sites.

Champion Buck — Russell Koontz & Son.

Do — 2 years and older — 9 head entered: 1, Joe David Ross; 2, Bob Davis; 3, Chas. Orr; 4, Joe B. Ross; 5, Bill Orr.

Do — 1 year and under 2, and A.A.G.B.A. Special — 1, Chas. W. Nichols, Leakey; 2, Joe B. Ross; 3, Chas. Orr; 4, Bill Orr; 5, Russell Koontz; 6, Brooks Sweeten; 7, Brooks Sweeten.

Doc kid under 1 year — 5 head entered: 1, Bill Orr; 2, Chas. Orr; 3, Joe B. Ross; 4, Chas. Orr; 5, Bill Orr.

Champion Doe — Joe David Ross.

Get-of-Sire: 1, Joe Brown Ross; 2, Bob Davis; 3, Russell Koontz; 4, Bill Orr.

Breeder's flock: 1, Joe B. Ross; 2, Bill Orr; 3, Chas. Orr.

#### Richey Special

Bucks: yearling, J. B. Reagan; 2-year-old, Chas. Orr; 3-year-old, Arthur Davis; 4-year-old, Chas. Orr; 5-year-old and older, Chas. Orr.

Does: yearling, Arthur Davis; 2-year-old, Joe David Ross; 3-year-old, Brooks Sweeten; 4-year-old, no entries; 5-year-old and older, S. W. Dismukes.

#### Official Resolutions of Angora Goat Raisers

We, as your resolutions committee, wish to submit for your approval:

A resolution thanking the Edwards County Chamber of Commerce, its president, Julian Jenkins, and all the people of Rocksprings for the hospitality, the many courtesies and the warm handclasp extended to us at our 32nd annual meeting. We want you folks to know we have had a good time.

We wish to thank Mrs. H. S. Martindale and her committee for the beautiful coronation presented for the



**RICHEY SPECIALS** — Winning the mohair fleece quality awards given annually by A. W. Hilliard Son, Boston, and Central Texas Trading Co., Lampasas are: (Top) Bucks: yearling, J. B. Reagan of Leakey; 2-year-old, Chas. Orr of Rocksprings; 3-year-old, Arthur Davis of Sabinal; 4-year-old, Chas. Orr; and 5 years and over Chas. Orr. (Bottom) Does: yearling, Arthur Davis; 2-year-old, Joe David Ross of Sonora; 3-year-old, Brooks Sweeten of Rocksprings; 5 years and over, S. W. Dismukes of Rocksprings.



**C-TYPE CHAMPIONS** — Young breeders came to the front with C-Type goats at the annual show of the Texas Angora Goat Raisers' Association in Rocksprings. Left is Russell Koontz, Jr., of Russell Koontz & Son, Bandera. He showed the champion C-Type buck. Russell, Jr., is well known in the Hill County for his fine animals in the boys' shows. Joe David Ross (right) of Sonora had the champion C-Type doe. Joe David has made an outstanding record for several years straight running at the Sonora Wool Show and with his various club projects. He is a son of Joe Brown Ross.

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court — we extend our thanks in behalf of the members of the Association.

We wish to express our appreciation to R. G. Jordan of the San Antonio Express, to Sue Flanagan of the Sheep and Goat Raisers Magazine, and to Elmer Kelton of the San Angelo Standard-Times for the publicity given us by their respective papers and for their untiring efforts put forth during the show — and to the Texas Mohair Weekly and all the other papers that carried publicity about the show and sale.

We feel greatly honored to have had the National Farm and Home Hour broadcast about our 32nd Annual Goat Show and Sale. This we feel has given us nationwide publicity and we extend our thanks to the people

who were responsible for having the broadcast, and to those who put it on.

It is with deepest sorrow that we extend heartfelt sympathy to the family of O. J. Camp of Junction, Texas. He was a director of both the TAGRA and the AAGBA, and being a veteran goat breeder, he will be greatly missed by all of us.

It is with deep concern that the members of the Association learn of the illness of H. M. Phillips, editor of the Sheep and Goat Raiser, and we wish him a speedy recovery. This is the first meeting in 17 years that he has not been with us taking pictures and meeting with the goat men. He has been greatly missed by all of us.

We wish a speedy recovery for Armer Earwood of Sonora, Texas, who is ill. He was to have been one of the judges for the show.

The officials and members wish to thank Marvin Skaggs of Junction, Texas, and Fred Earwood of Sonora, Texas, for judging the classes and champions at the 32nd Annual Show and Sale.

The goat breeders wish to go on record as thanking Angora breeder W. S. Orr; Spud Tatnum, vocational agriculture teacher; and Gus Storey, county agent, for their untiring efforts in having the pens ready, having the goats in line for the sale, and assisting in every way with the show.

We greatly appreciated the talk given by Dr. W. T. Hardy of the Sonora Ranch Experiment Station. Also we wish to thank the entire staff at the station for their untiring efforts in helping us with our problems. We realize that we will benefit more and more by their work as the years go by.

We are always glad to have R. Beal Pumphrey of the Union Stock Yards, San Antonio, and appreciated his in-

roduction of the guest speaker. The address brought to us by Arthur Leesch of Boerne, Grange Master of Texas, was very interesting and enjoyed by all of us.

Respectfully submitted,

Mrs. Thomas L. Taylor, Chairman  
C. F. Briggs  
H. R. Sites

## EVERYONE WANTS ANGORAS NOW

MRS. THOMAS L. TAYLOR, secretary of the American Angora Goat Breeders Association, reports that her office in Rocksprings has been "swamped with letters from everywhere as a result of the National Farm and Home Broadcast."

The broadcast concerning Angora goats and their products was made from the WOAI studios in San Antonio, August 4, during the annual Texas Angora Goat Raisers Show and Sale in Rocksprings. Joe Brown Ross, president of the Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association and also the American Angora Goat Raisers Association, along with Kerr County Agent Guy Powell, told the "Mohair Story" on the program. Bill Shomette, WOAI announcer, conducted the conversation strip.

"Everyone wants to raise Angoras now!" Mrs. Taylor says.

The State Farm and Ranch Safety Committee of Texas urges every citizen of the state to be doubly careful with fires. Range and pasture plants are tinder dry and a carelessly tossed cigarette or match is all that is needed to start a destructive fire.

Despite the drought, farmers should be making plans now for getting the seed and fertilizers they will need for their fall and winter legume plantings.

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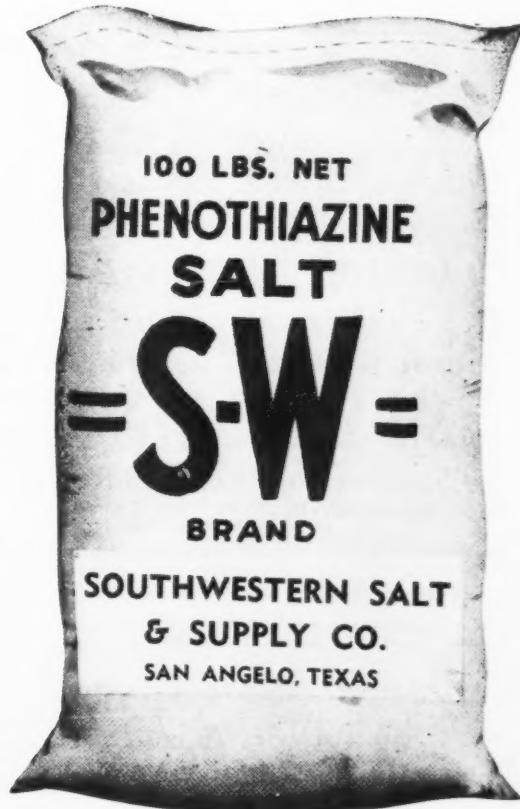
**NEW DIRECTORS BREAK PRECEDENTS** — Robert Reid of Hillsboro, N. M. (left) and Albert Jenkins of Rocksprings were the new directors elected to serve the Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association. Reid is the first out-of-state director to be named, and Jenkins, 17-year-old goat breeder, is the youngest to be elected in the Association's history.

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## THE WOOL ASSOCIATES' VIEW OF THE MARKET

### One Firm Sets Spring Prices

SAMUEL HIRD & Sons established prices on its line of spring worsteds last week with quotations 85 to 95 cents a yard above fall, 1950 prices, but 90 cents to \$1.05 lower than the last quotations made on May 17th. This was the first major mill to set prices and naturally the news was eagerly awaited and widely discussed once it had appeared. One quarter said the prices were just about in line with trade expectations although possibly a bit on the low side. Now the industry is waiting to see if other mills will come forward with prices. It is believed that if the cloth buyers take an appreciable amount of Hird's offerings, then other firms will set prices before long.

Some mills appear to be waiting for the start of the Australian auctions later this month, hoping that values will show even further declines that can be passed along. However, these same mills are also anxious to avoid any down-pricing in their quotations, but they have to reverse themselves if auction prices should suddenly turn upwards. This, they feel, would be bad for the industry. Meanwhile some inquiries have been heard in the trade, but no large commitments have been reported as yet as the market continues along in its dull pattern. There was one report that the army would be back in the ring for around 2,300,000 yards of nylon-serge for first quarter delivery and cloth mills are expected to swamp the military with bids due to the low level of civilian buying.

### Piece Goods Liquidation Continues

A trade report last week stated that liquidation of piece goods is continuing at a pretty good pace and that the eating up of inventory may be farther along than most quarters realize. If this is true, then any sudden upswing in interest from garment makers could mean a real rush to start mills operating at full tilt once more. The only question is: when will retail demand pick up enough to cause any interest on the part of garment manufacturers? One manufacturer, Jerome Udell of Max Udell Sons & Co. said in a trade letter that a few months from now the pessimists will look back and wonder how they could have failed to foresee better business due to the influence of enormous government spending. On the subject of prices, Mr. Udell says that they will likely stabilize around current levels and will not be materially changed by the Australian auctions coming up. He did say that if military buying should suddenly zoom upwards, the price of wool would probably also go up.

### Retail Sales Spotty — Wholesale Activity Not Busy

Sales at retail of men's, women's and children's woolen goods was quiet last week in most sections of the country, reflecting the continued lethargy on the part of consumers to spend much money on apparel. The continued increase in the rate of consumer savings indicates that the trend

is toward saving, not spending, and is affecting more items than just apparel. Most retailers look for some improvement with the start of back-to-school buying in the next couple of weeks but most of them are not very optimistic about getting heavy interest for winter suits and other woolen garments from adults. The general feeling is that an extremely price-conscious public will be attracted to the rayons or blends this fall, indicating a potentially tough season for woolens. Meanwhile, wholesale activity reflected the dullness at retail. Only orders for back-to-school merchandise and some fill-ins of a few items of adult apparel that appear to be style leaders, such as some types of women's coats, were moving well. The rest of the trade was just edging along with business far from active.

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**L. F. Sneed of San Angelo** has purchased the Bob Gordon and C. B. Rainey mixed Rambouillet-Corriedale crossbred lambs at 30 cents a pound. In the contract were 1,400 head. The Gordon lambs averaged 58 pounds and the Rainey sheep 66 pounds.

**The second week in August, Harvey Martin** of San Angelo shipped out 15 loads of lambs from Fort Stockton, Rankin, Mertzon and San Angelo. The lambs brought 28½ to 30 cents a pound.

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# Wool and Mohair Market Report

By Sheep and Goat Raiser Boston Bureau

THE RECENT awards of contracts for the manufacture of wool serge and wool shirting fabrics has failed to change the slow trend of sales of original wools on the local market. Scoured descriptions of wools, domestic and foreign, continue to move as needed by the mills but there is no volume of trade in this quarter. The actual volume of awards was another factor out of line with the ideas of the industry in advance of the announcement. Trade factors were anticipating awards totaling three or four times the amount actually placed. The huge stocks of finished items, coupled with prospects for further cuts in raw material costs, is said to be causing many producers to curtail production in both woollens and worsteds. Woollen mills are known to be operating almost exclusively on government orders. This fact, added to large inventories, continues to depress prices in both woollen and worsted raw materials. Some experienced factors are confident that buying of soft goods will gain in volume by fall.

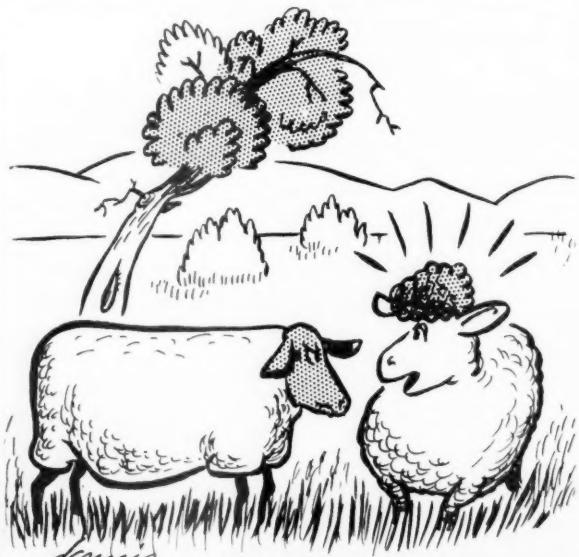
The New Zealand selling season is scheduled to open on Wednesday August 15 and the trade, with few exceptions, is awaiting the event with a great deal of interest. It is pointed out that the 1950-51 season has left a supply of wools in that market estimated on the low side of 300,000 bales to well above that amount for offering during the season. These sales will include 47,900 bales of crutchings. The sales roster, suspended since February by a waterfront strike which

paralyzed shipping, will proceed on schedule.

Word of the New Zealand's government's decision to adhere to its previous schedule following settlement of the strike was received from the Wool Bureau at Wellington. Announcement of the action, taken after government discussions with the Auction Sales Advisory Committee, was made by the Minister of Agriculture and Marketing. When the current season's wool sales were suspended after the strike began twelve auctions were still to be held and about 600,000 bales of wool were disposed of before postponement of the auctions.

The New Zealand Wool Board pointed out that the wool market has eased considerably since the auctions were suspended. The annual report shows that during the suspension other overseas markets advanced by about 15% from the end of February until mid-March. This was followed by a steady decline and by mid-April, when United States competition was withdrawn, prices showed a recession of 25%. The Minister of Agriculture and Marketing states "The stock position in our historic markets is at an almost unprecedented low level and the New Zealand Government and its advisory committee therefore consider that in all the circumstances the best interests of producers and the Dominion will be served by making an early clearance of the carryover of 1950-51 wool."

The roster of dates of sales is as (Continued on page 20)



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## MARKET REPORT

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follows: Auckland, Aug. 15; Napier, Aug. 20 and 22; Wangamui, Aug. 27; Wellington, Aug. 31; Timaru, Sept. 6; Invercargill, Sept. 10; Dunedin, Sept. 15 and Christchurch, Sept. 20.

The start of the Australian season is scheduled near the end of the month and it is hoped it will establish definite values for the new season.

The latest report from South America indicate for export, where licenses were granted, included low wools at prices around 80 cents for 5s/6s and as low as 60 cents for defective lots. It is assumed that this meant for export to the United States. Some Cordova wools, short and mixed, was included in these transactions at 65 cents. Offers for this country were cabled down at 75½ cents for second clip and around 2 cents less for lambs' wools, subject to license being granted for export.

An undercurrent of better feeling, hope if you will, was manifest in the local wool trade recently. There was little tangible to support ideas of an improved condition, but slight tokens of business in sight were found, apart from military demand. These embraced some inquiry of a cautious nature for wool, as well as a little indication that mills were beginning to get interested in spring clothes and signs that the retail clothing picture is not as black as it has been painted. Talk even that some lines of goods may be hard to get, in case of volume demand, was heard. This was associated with the fact that military business will occupy many mills the remainder of the year.

Plans to rollback prices of major manufacturers have been put off indefinitely, according to press announcements. The new pricing regulations which were posted would have applied to general manufacturers, and to machinery, cotton textiles, shoes, apparel and wool yarn factories. The regulations called for price decreases in some cases and increases in others.

There is some speculation in trade circles on whether or not the decline in wool values has been arrested for the present, because many are of the opinion that any new demand will not be sufficient to maintain price levels. It is said the mills appear in no particular rush to buy wools even when they expect to receive government contracts, and continue to shop for soft spots in the market. The drop in wool prices recently has naturally hurt some concerns in a financial way, but there is more confidence in the fact that wool prices are down to a level where they will be on a more competitive basis with artificial fibers.

### Woolen Wools

Sales of woolen type wools were reported recently as follows: Scoured pulled domestic types, 60s in grade, 1½ in., and good color \$2.20; Scoured No. 1 New Mexican wool of good staple \$2.35; Scoured fine Australian locks and pieces of good average staple and color \$1.45. Trading on the spot also included scoured pulled New Zealand 56s/58s up to 3 inches in length \$1.65. Wool noils a by-product from the manufacture of top on

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the worsted system, developed a stronger tone regardless of the lack of volume sales. Good clear noils, 60s in grade, were traded around \$1.20 for special orders. Good average noils of the same grade were 10 cents lower. Some demand was reported for 60s Noble combed noils for the civilian market on the high side of \$1.30. Good clear French noils sold at 90 cents to mills working on civilian goods. Medium to quarterblood noils were said to be worth on the high side of 90 cents with 95 cents as tops.

### Mohair

The market for mohair is slow, but there is some interest on the part of buyers in the fiber in the raw state and by-products for blending in the manufacture of women's wear fabrics. Grown hair No. 1 of 28s grade is being priced at \$1.80, but sales have failed to materialize thus far. Kid hair No. 1, 36s in grade and finer, is unchanged at prices around \$2.50 graded. Sorted hair of the same quality is being held at \$2.85 to \$2.90 for 40s and about \$2.70 for 36s hair. Trade reports from the primary markets in Texas indicate that up to \$1.40 was offered for grown hair and \$1.75 for kid. Sales, however, were not reported except possibly some small lots for the manufacture of samples. Mills using the fiber over a period of years appear desirous of making experiments to determine the feasibility of making blends of mohair and synthetics in order to cheapen down costs.

## TEXANS PURCHASE COLORADO LAND

J. R. PENDLETON and son, Billy, of Stratford, Texas purchased the Leap ranch near La Veta, Colorado.

The property consists of 2,300-acres of deeded land, 140 acres of irrigated meadow, and 1,640 acres of summer range on Silver mountain. Price on the transaction was said to be \$82,000.

The Texans plan to move a part of their registered polled Herefords from their Texas ranch to the new place. Billy Pendleton will operate the Colorado ranch.

## KIMBLE GRASS FIRE BURNS TWO SECTIONS

A CEDAR brake fire which burned over two sections of deferred grass land in Kimble County was kept under control by volunteer firefighters who fought two days and nights against the flames and dry weather.

The fire started July 28 on the Cecil Woodward ranch, which is leased from Hayden Lawler.

Fire trucks and men remained on the scene through July 31 to make sure the fire did not start again.

San Angelo buyers, E. H. Pinson and Russell Hays, shipped a load of mixed lambs from Menard to Oklahoma feeders at 27½ cents. The lambs averaged 62 pounds.

Otho Drake of San Angelo sold for D. O. Atkinson of Marfa 1,000 Rambouillet yearling ewes. Purchaser was R. E. Albers of Abenathy. Price was \$25 a head.

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# Washington Parade

By Jay Richter

LIVESTOCK PRODUCERS and other farmers could be heading into a period of reduced profits, in spite of their victory in the Battles of Controls on Capitol Hill. In coming weeks, prices of labor, materials, and supplies could go up — while farm prices decline.

In latest official reports, the Agriculture Department predicts that the beef cattle prices may show less strength than recently. USDA says that prices of some grades of cattle may drop below ceilings this fall.

The Department experts add, however, that "no material weakness in cattle prices is expected."

Yet, price drops could mean trouble, in the face of rising costs. Ironically, it is a provision in the new controls law itself that could bring a tight squeeze for some operators. An amendment to the law, sponsored by Sen. Capehart, Indiana Republican, provides a cost-plus provision for business.

Estimates are that this gimmick could increase prices of industrial items, including things farmers must buy, from 5 to 8 percent.

Still more official reports indicate a period of stabilized — and perhaps lower — prices.

Despite the tragic and widespread floods, USDA's latest estimates point to a year of record production passing the peak year of 1949. Crops will account for most of the gains, says the Department, but livestock production also will be up somewhat.

This favorable production outlook for 1951 is the main factor in recent declines in farm prices. From mid-June to mid-July, for example, prices dropped more than two percent.

Meanwhile, labor costs have continued to rise. From April 1 to July 1 of this year, the average farm wage rate went up almost nine cents per hour — from 53.5 cents to 62.4 cents.

Despite these trends, farmers are probably still doing better than ever before. Farm income during the first seven months of this year was 17 percent higher than during the same period last year. In the meantime, costs went up, but not as much as income. Average cost increase was 12 percent.

Little change is seen in beef prices as a result of the new controls law. There is still considerable doubt among officials on interpretation of the law, but here's about how they see it now:

Prime beef prices could be reduced by about \$2, and Choice about half of that. Good grade probably will remain about where it is under the new law, and prices of lower grades could be moved up slightly.

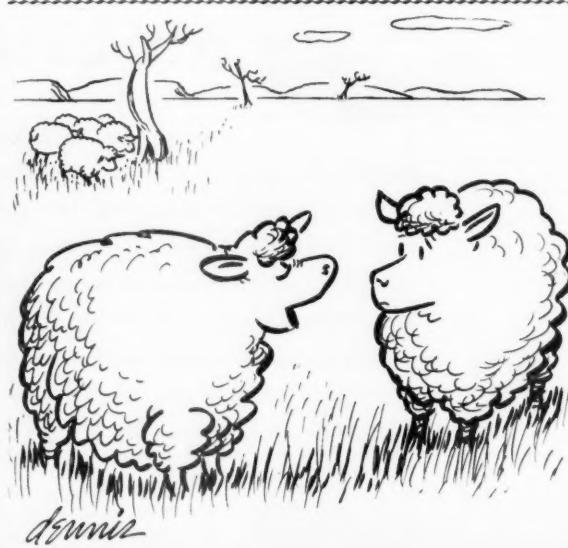
Beef cattle ceilings, according to most recent government figures, are as follows, Chicago basis:

Prime, 62 percent dress out, \$37; Choice, 59 percent, \$34.20; Good, 56 percent, \$31.50; Commercial, 53 percent, \$27.30; Utility, 47 percent, \$21.80; Cutter and Canner, 43 percent, \$19.50.

The new controls law permits future ceilings established at parity to move up or down as parity itself may change. Minimum farm ceilings must be parity as computed each month by USDA, or 90 percent of the May 19, 1951 market price, whichever is higher.

Lamb and veal have been above

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"My aunt is taking a vacation this year at a place called Union Stockyards."

# PURINA VISITS

# J. W. VANCE

Cattleman, sheep raiser, civic leader... all these fit energetic, resourceful J. W. Vance of Golden Hoof Farms, Coleman, Texas.

After service in World War I, following graduation from Texas A & M, Vance farmed. When the government became interested in soil conservation in the early 30's, Vance was already busy clearing his land of mesquite and pear and preventing soil erosion.

A director of the Texas Hereford Association, Vance also serves the West Texas Hereford Association as 1st Vice-President. His charming wife, perhaps better known as Chris, is present President of the Women's Auxiliary of the Wool Growers Association. The Vances' son, 18-year-old Kenneth, now at college, has long taken part in 4-H and FFA work and has won honors at several shows.

Realizing the benefits of community improvement, Vance is a past Kiwanis and Board of Commercial Development President. Untiring Vance finds time for the Coleman County Breeder-Feeder Association and the REA, both of which he serves as an officer. As former chairman of the County Land Use Planning Committee, his early experience with soil conservation was put to good use.

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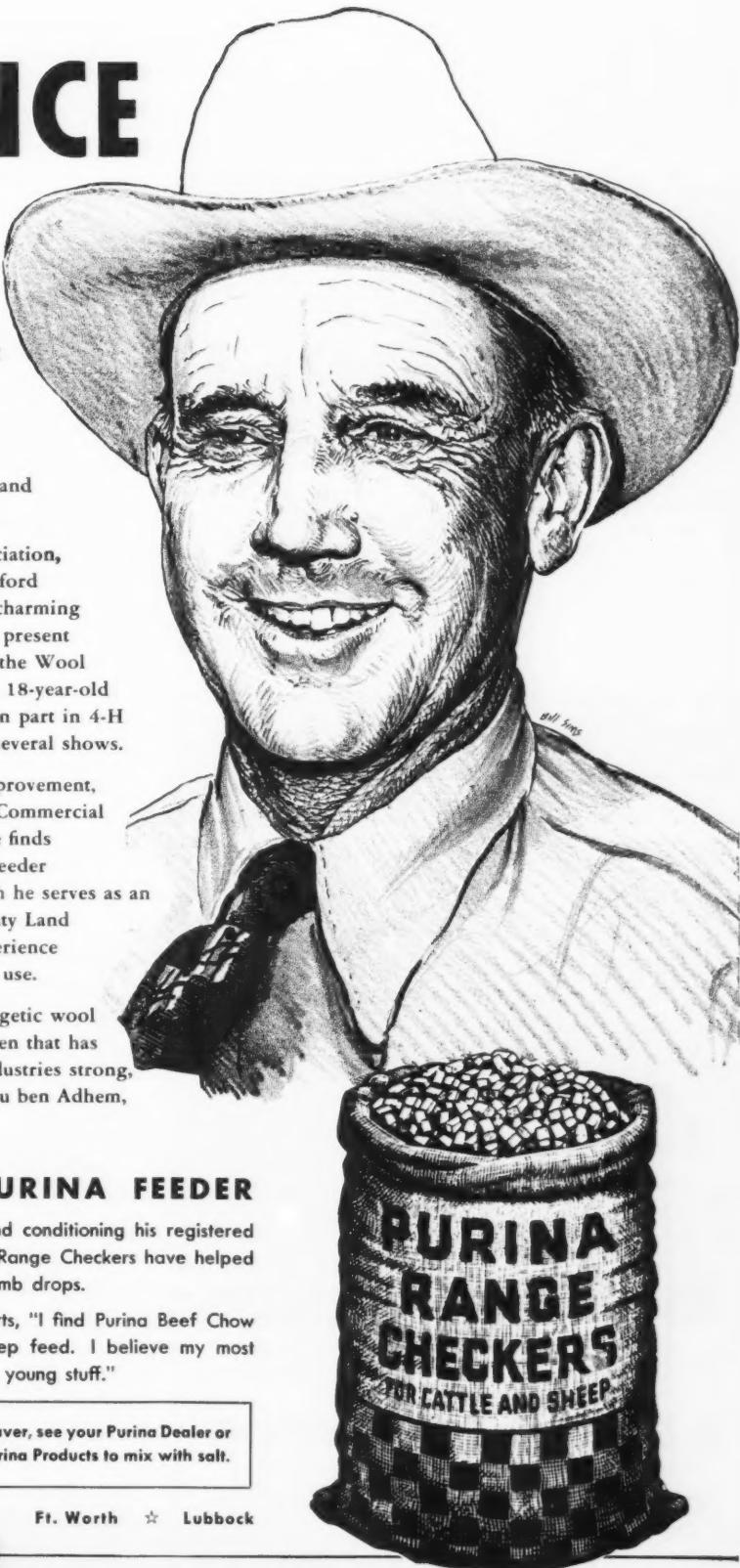
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who is chairman of the House Agriculture Committee.

"I don't believe it is in the interest of the labor group to bring about a breach," says Cooley. "Many members of Congress from farming districts have excellent labor records."

**WASHINGTON**

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the legal minimum control level, and ceilings could be imposed at about \$29 for lambs and \$30 for vealers. The prices would be those of last May 19, averaged out nationally.

Price Boss Mike DiSalle isn't happy about the new controls law, and is making no bones about it. The limits placed on his authority to roll back prices, he insists, just about hamstrings his agency.

DiSalle marks out the meat price picture for special attention in his back-room sessions with the Washington press corps.

"The slaughter quota," he says, "was the heart of our meat-control program." The fact that his agency has been deprived of its power to limit slaughter quotas, he describes as "harmful" to the health of the U. S. economy as a whole.

"If we are going to have any effect on stabilization," says DiSalle, "we can't have it unless we control all important cost-of-living items such as meat . . ."

An international authority on wool recently laid it on the line, warning growers that unless they can meet requirements, synthetics can be expected to make big gains.

If the world's growers cannot meet the needs imposed by a rise of 200 million in the world population in recent years, said J. H. Moolman, the president of the South African Wool Growers Association, science must turn to other sources to clothe mankind. Moolman struck out at "government-sponsored" efforts to produce artificial fibers, and added:

"Additional production of synthetic fibers to an amount nearly comparable with the American wool clip must needs adversely affect wool-growing in the United States. One wonders whether due consideration has been given to the hundreds of millions invested in wool-growing and manufacturing in so many countries."

Meanwhile, USDA reported that the amount of wool shorn in the U. S. this year will be about 4 percent more than last. However, production is still down approximately 27 percent from the 1940-1949 average.

USDA attributes increased production this year to "a larger number of sheep shorn and a record heavy weight per fleece."

The split in the leadership ranks of farm-labor groups over the new controls law, predicted here, has come out in the open.

The AFL's boss, William Green, following public announcement of a break with the Farm Bureau and the National Grange, told reporters "we are through appeasing" the farm groups.

Lined up with the AFL is the Farmers Union, one of the "Big 4" farm organizations that lobby in Washington. Most Congressmen aren't taking the split very seriously. At least, they aren't saying so. A few express concern, including Rep. Harold D. Cooley, North Carolina Democrat,

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THE JAMES HUNT Quarter Horses which sold at a complete dispersal sale in Junction, August 13, were one of the finest assemblages of horse flesh ever brought under one roof.

The 56 head sold at an average of \$455, colts and all. Wesley Young of Sonora paid the top price of the sale, \$3,200 for Patsy Jo, a four-year-old mare, which has run and won against some of the finest horses in Texas.

James Hunt has been raising quarter horses about 13 years. His father, Bryan Hunt of Sonora, started him off with a foundation band of Red Bug mares from Jap Holman of Sonora.

Perhaps the best known horse sold was Little Red Raffles, 11-year-old sorrel stallion, which was purchased by Edwin Jackson of Eldorado for \$2,000. Jackson also bought the dam of the famous stallion, 16-year-old Tina Ann H. She is known for her fine colts and brought \$1,700.

Nancy Hunt, sister of James Hunt, purchased four favorites from her brother's band. She took Salty Star for \$2,800, a three-year-old, AA race mare which won the 300-yard purse race for three-year-olds at Junction, August 10. Nancy also bought About Time, a yearling stud, for \$510; Hunt's Anthem, three-year-old mare for \$740, and Rickey Raffles 12-year-old mare for \$370.

B. W. Hutchinson, Sutton County sheriff, bought seven mares for a total of \$2,350. This was the largest number of horses bought by one buyer.

Young Hunt is preparing to start his third year in pre-law school at the University of Texas and cannot devote as much time to the care and training of his horses as he would like. He is retaining his thoroughbreds, however.

The DP Ranch flock of 87 registered Corriedale sheep in Kendall County has been purchased by buyers at Crystal City. Only two small flocks of Corriedale remain in the County now, according to C. E. Nelson, County Agent.

Gilmer Morris of Rocksprings sold 1,100 middle-age nannies to Percy Roberts of San Angelo. Price was \$9.50 ahead. Roberts also bought 860 goats, including mixed-age nannies and some 150 kids, from A. A. Hall of Irion at \$10 a head.

Otho Drake, San Angelo commission man, purchased three loads of blackface lambs the first week in August from Jim L. Daniel of Big Lake at 30 cents a pound. One load averaged 53 pounds and the other two loads averaged 61 pounds.

The Marshall Montgomery lambs from Ozona have been purchased by Otho Drake at 29 cents a pound. The lambs averaged from 60 to 65 pounds.

# Corriedale Notes

THE ANNUAL meeting of the American Corriedale Association was held on Monday night, July 23. At this meeting a trophy offered by Sen. J. F. Guthrie of Geelong, Victoria, Australia, to the most outstanding Corriedale breeder of the year, was presented to J. F. Walker of Gambier, Ohio.

Arthur L. King received a trophy from the New Zealand Corriedale breeders, and the Arthur L. King family was presented a plaque by the membership of the American Corriedale Association in recognition and appreciation of their splendid and effective representation of the American Association at the Type Conference.

Ray Gatewood of Caledonia, Ohio, was elected president of the American Corriedale Association for the coming year, and Kenneth Wagner of West Liberty, Iowa, was elected vice-president. Truett C. Stanford of El Dorado, Texas was the retiring president. Ray Gatewood was vice-president for the past year. Sam Murrell of Lancaster, Missouri, was the member of the executive directors whose term expired at this meeting. Lloyd Smith of Cantril, Iowa, was elected to this position for a three-year period. Other executive directors whose terms did not expire at this time are E. E. Cooper, Durand, Michigan, and Lee Crane of Santa Rosa, California.

The Sixth All-American Corriedale Show and Sale will be held at Columbus, Ohio, in July of 1952. J. F.

## TEXAS CORRIE DALE NEWS

By W. M. Arnold

THE TEXAS Corriedale Sheep Breeders held their annual show and sale in Fredericksburg, August 10 with a good selection of sheep to choose from. There were only seven ewes entered in the sale. The quality of the animals entered was proof that Texas breeders can produce breeding stock that are on a level with sheep raised in any part of the country. More interest has been shown each year in the Corriedale show and sale as was evident by the increase of entries from different Association members and the addition of new members in the Association.

The show was held in the morning with a nice crowd on hand to witness a fine job of judging by Guy Powell of Kerrville. Noelke and Owens of Sheffield showed the champion ram and ewe. The champion ram was purchased by Truett Stanford for \$245. There was an over all average of \$96 for the sale held in the afternoon with Lem Jones as auctioneer and Joe Tatum, sales manager. This year buyers took more interest in the quality of the sheep that were offered for sale.

This was the second time the annual Corriedale sale has been held in Fredericksburg and it was decided at the business meeting held in the Hotel Nimitz the evening preceding the sale to accept the invitation from

Walker of Gambier, Ohio, is chairman of the committee for this event. Other members on the Sales Committee are Ray Gatewood of Caledonia, Ohio, and Guy L. Green of Peoria, Ohio.

The sale will be held in July and the Sales Committee advises that all sheep consigned must be shorn after November 1, 1951. For uniformity's sake, they suggest that all sheep for this sale be shorn as soon after Nov. 1, 1951, as possible.

The judge for this year's event was E. K. Faulkner, professor of Animal Husbandry, University of Wyoming. The University of Wyoming is and has been very prominent in the production of high quality Corriedales since they were first introduced in the United States in 1914.

It is entirely fitting that the 1951 Corriedale Show and Sale should be a record sale. The breed is relatively new, and since it is a dual-purpose breed, it is in a particularly advantageous position at this time, with high mutton and wool prices. Each year for the past four, new records have been set in the number of Corriedales recorded, in transfers made and in new memberships issued. While 1950 constituted a record year with Corriedales, and placed the breed very close to second position among all breeds in the United States, the Association activities to date in 1951 have exceeded those of the previous years for a comparable period.

the Chamber of Commerce to hold the sale again in Fredericksburg next year some time in August. Date of sale to be decided on later.

Officers elected for the coming year were E. Bergman, president; Curtis M. Siegmund, vice-president; W. M. Arnold, secretary-treasurer; and H. C. Noelke, regional director to represent Texas in the National Association.

## CORRIE DALE BREEDER HAS GOOD LUCK

A WELL known West Coast breeder, Wesley Wooden of Davis, Calif., has the following to say about Corriedales: "This certainly has been the year to be in the Corriedale business. They have really been in demand." Mr. Wooden has recently added 35 ewes and a stud ram, imported from Queensland, Australia, to his flock. All of the ewes were bred before starting on their six-week ocean voyage. One dropped her lamb aboard ship, and another lambed in San Francisco during the period of quarantine. Wes adds the following about his new importations: "My sheep just now are getting over the effects of their voyage. To date 25 ewes of the 35 have lambed — I haven't lost a lamb, helped a ewe give birth, suckled a lamb, or had trouble of any kind. After a 7,000-mile trip, I would say this is remarkable."

## DROUGHT IS HURTING IN KENDALL COUNTY

RIGHT NOW Kendall County farmers and livestock men are beginning to really feel the effects of the long dry spell. Until August 1 there was urgent need for soaking rains but the four weeks of 100 degree weather added on has caused 50 per cent of livestock men to begin feeding hay. July prices on grass hay were \$25.00 per ton and good alfalfa hay \$40.00 per ton delivered. Now grass hay is about \$10.00 per ton higher and alfalfa \$15.00 to \$17.50 per ton higher. A fairly good hay crop was put up by most producers in June and this will help greatly in keeping more livestock in the county. Grass has become completely deadened, and there have been several pretty serious grass fires. Farmers are going right ahead in preparing seedbeds for small grains, in case of good fall rains. These oat fields would be about the only grazing available next winter as range grasses could not build up this late for any amount of winter grazing, even though good rains were to fall soon.

Goat shearing is about completed in Kendall County. Goats and sheep appear in good shape now, whereas cattle are definitely showing some shrink due to the drought. There has been an unusual amount of stiffness in lambs, growers report. Screw worm and horn fly annoyance has been down considerably the past 30 days but has increased some the past week.

The Kendall County Fair was held

this past week-end, August 24-25-26. Most of the sheep and goat men from over the Hill Country and Central Texas were in attendance, says Buddy Gilliat, Rambouillet breeder of Boerne, who was superintendent of the Livestock Division. Cattle were lacking in numbers, mainly because of the excessive heat. Horse races were held each of the three days and attendance was good. Judges in the Livestock and Agricultural Exhibits divisions were County Agents Schlemmer of Bandera, Ray Shaver of New Braunfels and Guy Powell and his assistant, Jim Cusenbary of Kerrville.

Most lambs have been shipped to market, and there will be enforced selling of cattle, sheep and goats, as grass has already gotten pretty short on a number of ranches.

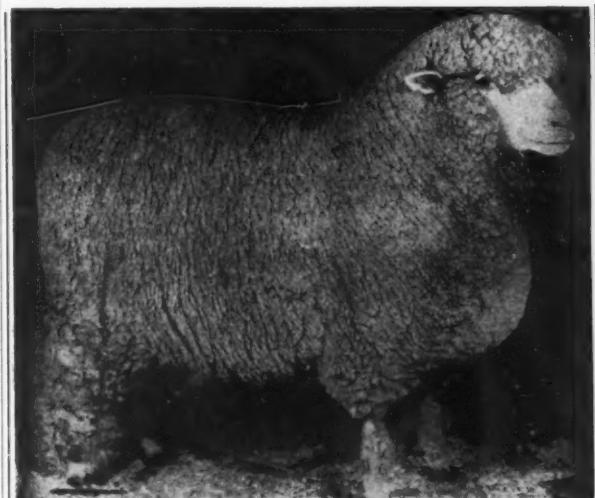
A number of ranch real estate deals have been made this summer. During June and July it appeared that real estate business was at an all time high. Much of the Kendall County farm and ranch land goes to business or professional men from San Antonio, Houston, and Corpus Christi.

—C. E. NELSON,  
County Agent  
Kendall County

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# The Drouth of '86

By W. C. HOLDEN

## WINDMILLS, TRANSPORTATION, PRICES MAKE THE DIFFERENCE

### EDITOR'S NOTE:

People like to compare things — good horses, pretty girls and bad times. With only a handful of rain having fallen during the whole of 1951, it is only natural for old-timers to get together and spin yarns about the drouths and hard times of the past. The trouble is that most of the old-timers who went through those bogey, heart-breaking days of sand, heat and thirst are gone over the trail. The few remaining generally "ain't able to get around much" to mull over the situation with each other or to cover enough ground to see how things are doing today, so comparisons can be made.

But some are still with us and active too, and when asked to opine on the drouth of today as it stacks up with that of 1918 or before — say 1886 — they can do a pretty good job, considering.

"Wal 'pears to me that we ain't near so bad off yet as 'twas in '18 or '86 but we would be 'cept for wells, transportation and ready market for livestock. Back in '18 and back in '86 there was few wells, little transportation and live-stock prices were deader'n hell — wasn't any. I can remember when you could mighty near walk from San Angelo to Carlsbad on carcases of thirst-starved and grass-starved cattle and sheep."

"Ranchmen couldn't sell, ship, feed, or water so the stock died."

Today many ranchmen have shipped practically every head of

their sheep, cattle and goats off to other ranges or have sold outright, hoping to buy back stocker stuff when the rains fall. Others are feeding away fortunes and holding on to their livestock. None are letting their livestock die of thirst or lack of feed. It isn't necessary today.

By comparison of the meager rainfall data that is available on old drouths, the present thirsty spell is apt to ring the bell as being a real humdinger — to phrase it non-profanely. It just hasn't rained enough over the southwestern part of the U. S. to get the job done.

Spots of greenery show up but they don't help out much, especially in the water table picture. The water table has faded down like ice melting on the sidewalks of Presidio in July. The situation has been scaring the daylights out of big towns and little ones, too, the ones depending upon wells for municipal supply. It hasn't improved the disposition or pocketbooks of the ranchmen and farmers either, most of whom depend upon the windmill or the gasoline pump for furnishing stock water or for irrigation. Drilling new wells and deepening old ones is becoming a major industry all over the Southwest. Even so it isn't any deep secret that the water supply below as well as on top is fading and if the water isn't there — then it doesn't make any difference how deep the well or how many wells

are dug, the livestock, crops and maybe people will be thirsty.

Point of the matter is the water table has taken a tremendous blow during the drouth of '51 and should the drouth continue the wells will continue to go dry and a major reaction in the livestock industry could be forced.

During the previous history-making drouths the water underground was unavailable because there were few wells. Today, if the water disappears wells will be useless. So will a lot of land.

In 1886 the water holes dried up and left on their cracked bottoms the bones of thousands of head of livestock and the residue of many ranch fortunes. Today, the water holes are lasting just about as long as the underground water supply. With day after day of pitiless, disheartening heat withering and shrinking vegetation and ponds, the situation is not encouraging, especially when everyone knows that the hole card of the ranchman — the water well — the giver of life to the ranch industry of the Southwest and foundation for its continued existence, may be a losing one in the grisly game with drouth.

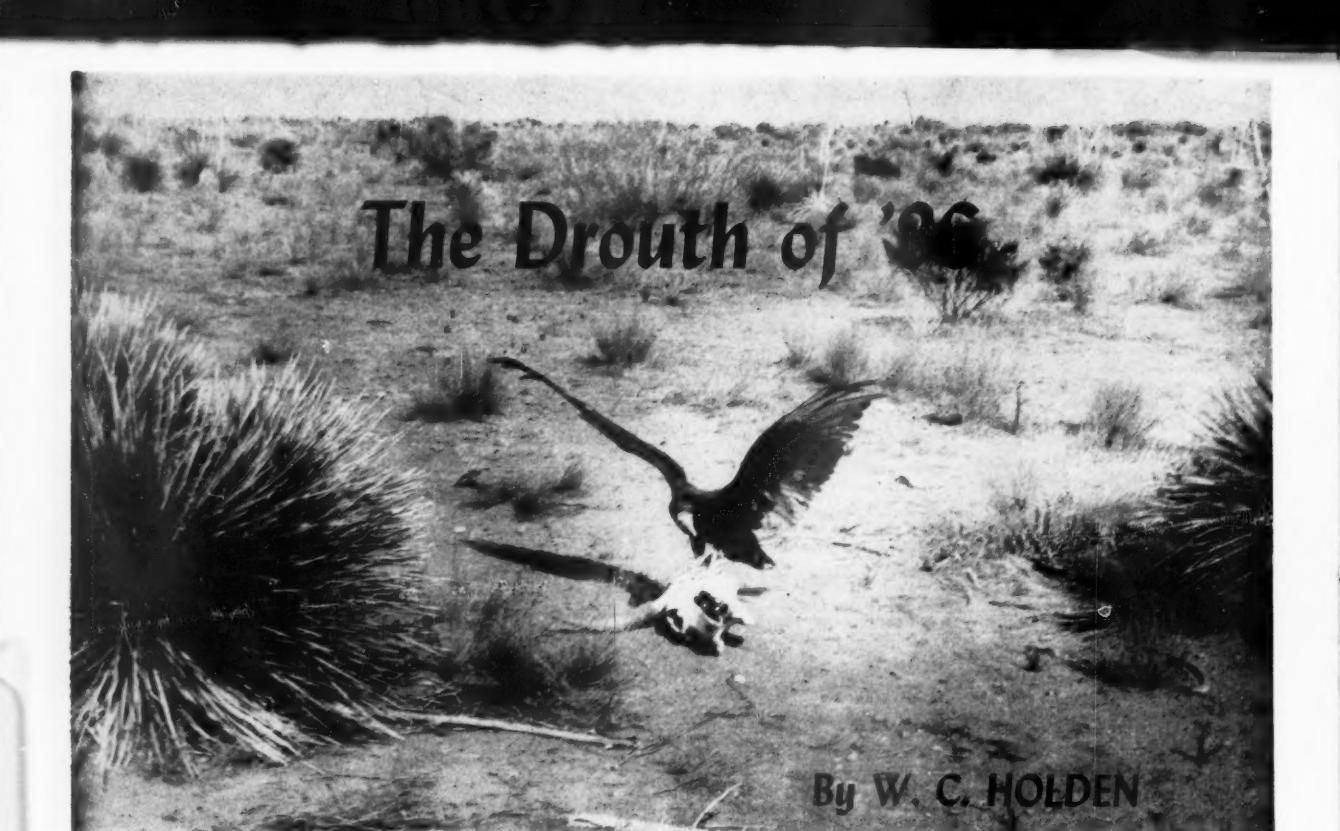
Just so the old timers and new can have a look at what happened in '86, we are running an article written by Dr. W. C. Holden, Curator of Museum, Texas Tech College, Lubbock, especially for this magazine some fifteen years ago. It is a story of the drouth of '86 — full of humor and pathos.

You can do your own comparing of the drouth of '86 and that of '51.

FROM THE advent of the white man, drouths have periodically be-deviled West Texas. The first severe one of which there is an account was in 1864. There were few people in the country then, and no newspapers at all; consequently, information concerning it is limited. However, the old settlers who lived through it said it was bad. Another drouth occurred in 1881. By the last of June people were becoming alarmed, but the weather prophets reassured them that it would rain in time to make grass. July passed and still no rain. Water in the Double Mountain Fork of the Salt Fork of the Brazos ceased to run. The Clear Fork became as dry as bone except for an occasional mud hole. So did the Colorado, and the Conchos were but little better. Stock water became more and more of a problem, for people were still largely depending upon surface water; few wells had as yet been dug. Throughout August cattle died by the hundreds of thirst, and prospects were increasing for a disastrous winter. However, it rained in the fall in time to make a crop of grass. The spring and summer of 1883 were dry in the Concho country, but again fall rain made winter grass. But of all the drouths before or since, the one of 1886 was the grizzliest of them all.

It began in June 1885. Rains had been fairly plentiful through the spring, and early crops of sorghum, corn, and grass had been made. Lakes, tanks, creeks, and rivers, being full at the beginning of summer, lasted through hot weather, and no real un-easiness was felt until in January, 1886. By that time surface water was giving out in many places. The neighborhood of Brady in McCulloch County was the first to suffer.

By May, dry weather began to show all its blighting effects. Grass was



poor, practically worthless. There was little water left anywhere in the country. Wheat, oats, millet, potatoes, and garden truck were all dead, or dying, and the prospects for corn, sorghum, and cotton were very gloomy, but there was still hope. By the latter part of May the water supply of a number of towns began to give out, and railroads began running water trains for domestic use. Water retailed at a dollar a barrel. Had it not been for the railroads some towns would have been completely abandoned. In the country many people were forced to leave homes, move their stock ten, twenty or thirty miles to some water hole which had not dried up. They would camp there until water was gone and move on.

The people's faces grew longer and longer. It became habitual to look for clouds. The tiniest speck in the sky would have hundreds of eyes turned upon it, studying its every movement. They were invariably dry-weather clouds which would form, appear threatening for a while, and evaporate, giving nothing beneficial in the meanwhile but a shadow. Some of the people tried to keep up courage by having picnics and fish-frys. As the water holes in the creeks and rivers dried up the fish were easy to catch; they could often be caught by hand in the shallow places and mud holes.

By June all industries and contemplated local improvements were paralyzed. Immigration had stopped. Many people offered their horses, cattle, tools, and land for sale to get money to subsist on, but there was no one to buy. Labor of all kinds could be had at a mere living wage. A good farm hand could be employed for his board, but there was no work to be done, except to move the horses and the cattle from the region of a dried-up water hole to the neighborhood of one which still had some water in it, pull out of mudholes the cattle which had bogged, and "tail-up" the ones too weak to get up unassisted. By the middle of July, the last mentioned job became a hopeless and endless task. The cattle were dying by the thousands.

People began to leave the country. Those of small means had no other choice. Their credit was gone; there was no work, no sale for what they had; their families were hungry, and the prospects were growing more dismal all the time. The exodus from the drought-stricken districts assumed the proportions of a panic; it arose more from demoralization than from the refugees' hope of benefiting their condition. Many left without any defined object or destination in view. They carried with them what they could and left all else. Fortunate were those who did have a place to go. A deserted house in Blanco County had the following information chalked on a board which was nailed across the door:

"250 miles to nearest post office; 100 miles to wood; 20 miles to water; 6 inches to hell. God bless our home! Gone to live with wife's folks."

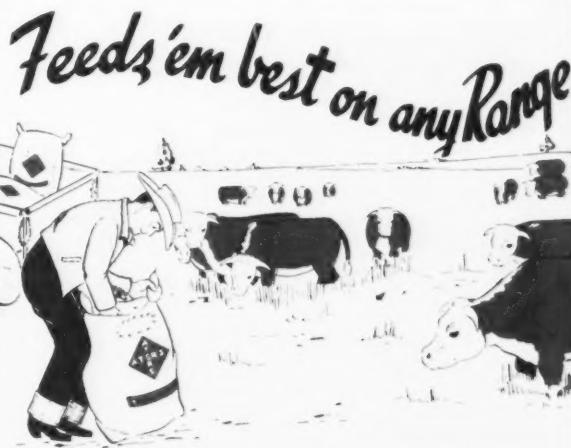
Throughout the Summer and Fall, roads were filled with covered wagons, drawn by gaunt, rawboned horses and filled with bedraggled families, going east. It is difficult to estimate how many people left the country.

If one should make a guess, based on such data as are available, one might say that one-half of the inhabitants left the country, either temporarily or permanently.

As water for the cattle became scarcer and scarcer, the cattlemen dug wells in the beds of the rivers. The water trickled into these slowly; the supply was inadequate for large numbers of cattle. Cattlemen of Baylor, Throckmorton, Archer and Young Counties began to let their cattle drift eastward, following the water-holes down the streams. By the last of July, something like 50,000 head were pressing on the settlements in Jack and Wise Counties. The approach of these herds constituted a grave menace for the farmers. The starved, thirsty cattle would drink up their water, eat their grass, break into the fields and destroy any of the burned forage that might be left. The cattlemen could not control the cattle; in fact, they were desperate and did not care to control them. The farmers organized on Bear Creek in Wise County for the purpose of opposing with force any further encroachments by the cattlemen. For a while, a collision seemed inevitable, and there was talk of calling out the militia; but, fortunately, nature intervened. Some local showers fell to the west, filling the water holes in a few districts, and it seemed likely that the grass would green up a little. In a conference held between the contending parties, the cattlemen agreed to turn back their herds. The stock water famine was temporarily relieved towards the last of August when a series of local rains fell. It was so late in the season, and the ground was so dry that these did little good in the way of raising a Fall crop. Some of the sorghum which was planted, however, grew enough to make a little forage.

Winter found the people left in the country in desolate circumstances. Horses and cattle were poor, and there was no grain and little forage. There were no Christmas trees that Christmas. Sunday Schools and other organizations used available funds, usually spent on Christmas trees, to buy food and clothing for poor children.

Dry weather continued through the Winter. The people were bordering on despair. By the latter part of March, 1887, mass meetings were being held throughout the country (Continued on page 30)



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**DROUTH OF '86**

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to pray for rain. It was beginning to look as if the history of 1886 was to be repeated again in 1887. Hope began to revive when showers started falling in April, and in May the long drouth was broken by a general rain. The drouth proper had lasted twenty-three months. Although the drouth was ended, its effects were not over for a long time to come.

During the most dejecting periods of the drouth local editors and people generally were not without a sense of humor; grim humor it was. A rural correspondent to the Albany News in June, 1886, wrote:

"Crops are failing fast for the want of rain. Wheat and oats are an entire failure, and corn is beginning to look very sick. I had thought of starting a hotel in Bugscuffle for the accommodation of candidates and other deadbeats at the remarkably low price of 25 cents per meal, but, alas! how soon our fond hopes are blasted by a Texas drouth!"

About the same time a correspondent from Hulltown, Shackelford County, remarked:

"The Farmers' Alliance organized here with fifteen or twenty members. But if it does not rain soon all the

members may be expelled, as none can claim to be farmers."

"We remember hearing somewhere that an explosion in the atmosphere would produce rain, that rains on picnic days could be accounted for only in this way. If this be true, we want a meeting of candidates and have them explode."

"Many of our citizens will be compelled to seek greener fields and cheaper bread, for from recent appearances there will not be anything in the way of either wheat or corn raised in this part of the country."

"Stock are declining in flesh, and some are dying, and should the drouth continue much longer, we will be compelled to move all stock."

The Taylor County News observed:

"The weather has been so dry here for the past three weeks that the wells are empty and the fish in the creeks are carrying toadstools for parasols to keep the sun from burning their backs. Water is getting so scarce that Baptists and Campbellites are beginning to favor baptism by sprinkling, and they have quit turning up their noses at Presbyterians. Potato bugs are crossing the creek like the Isrealites crossed the Red Sea, and for the same purpose—in search of water. A prominent prohibitionist has ordered a case of beer from Decatur, not necessarily as a beverage, but as an evidence that he wants lather to shave himself."

On April 14, 1887, the Albany



**THEY WEIGH A LOT AND EAT GOOD** — This photograph is one brought from South America by J. T. Davis, Sterling City, who is inclined to favor "Cabrito Zebu" as very good eating. These particular goats are the property of Jose Barbosa Sonza Uberaba of Minas, Brazil. "They are long on ears and weight and just about the best of eating," says Mr. Davis.

News described the following incident which occurred at Anson:

"Monday morning an individual was seen in town with a long slicker under his arm, and it naturally created intense indignation. He was pursued until caught, and it was discovered to be J. P. Cole, who has displayed many eccentricities of late. S. C. Hines repaired to the sheriff's office and swore out a warrant against him, charging him with unlawfully carrying a slicker, against the peace and dignity, dampness and future prospects of rain, in the free state of Jones. Deputy Sheriff Scarborough at once gave hot pursuit, and, after a short but exciting chase, captured the offender in the City Drug Store. He offered various and sundry excuses but without avail, for S. C.'s blood was up and he was determined that Cole should pay the penalty for his rashness. A good quantity of cigars restored the prisoner to liberty, and it is predicted that many moons will wane before he will again attempt such rashness."

In July, 1886, a wagon from a district where a local shower had fallen appeared on the main street of a West Texas town with its wheels clogged with mud. Everybody turned out to see the strange sight with as much enthusiasm as if it had been the elephant at a circus.

One of the characteristics of the drought was its spiritual effect. Never before had the people been more united. Everyone made some kind of effort to cheer the gloomy spirit of his neighbor. Some optimistically religious persons went so far as to pronounce the drought a blessing. Others claimed that the Almighty had sent it upon the people as a calamity because they had been too prosperous and too forgetful.

As early as the first of August, 1886, it was evident that if those people who wanted to remain in the country did stay, they would require aid from outside sources. A number of individuals and organizations petitioned the governor to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of the state to contribute as generously as possible and send all funds and provisions to the county judges or relief committees of the counties asking for aid.

The response was disappointing; in some eastern counties mass meetings were called for relief purposes. Some money and provisions were raised. A few counties responded generously. Wilson County shipped a car load of provisions to Runnels County. The people of Weatherford purchased 10,000 bushels of wheat and re-sold it to the farmers of Parker and adjoining counties on twelve months' time. The Farm and Ranch contributed one car

load of mixed planting seed, and, in addition, established a bureau for "the drought sufferers." A vigorous campaign for all kinds of aid was carried on through its columns. By this means, numerous donations of money and seed reached the needy farmers of the West. The Fort Worth Gazette and Dallas News sponsored a relief fund with fairly good success. When the money was distributed, it amounted to about \$750 for each county in the drought district. Some of the most generous gifts came, unsolicited, from outside the state. Within three weeks after the Governor's proclamation the merchants of exchange of Saint Louis had taken steps to send ten car loads of provisions to the region of the drought. The Union Stock Yards of Chicago immediately sent Governor Ireland \$1,850 to be distributed among the drought sufferers. Other organizations sent car loads of supplies and seed wheat. At last, the Congressmen from Texas found somebody to appreciate their free distribution of garden seed. Large sacks full were packed off to the poor drought sufferers!

The greatest sacrifices in the way of helping others came from within the drought area itself. A notable example occurred in Runnels County. The Ballinger country, with the exception of the community of Content, was not quite so hard hit by the drought as some of the neighboring sections; but Content was ruined. A committee was sent to Ballinger to see what the prospects were for relief from there. The citizens of Ballinger, although they were having a hard enough time themselves, responded immediately by sending a wagon-load of flour, meal and bacon. Within a month twelve more wagon-loads had been sent. The relief committee of the county, during the succeeding months, directed that the major part of funds and provisions from outside sources be given to the people of Content. There is no reason to doubt the philanthropic motives of the citizens of Ballinger; incidentally, at the time there was a



campaign on hand to move the county seat from Runnels City to that place, and the vote of Content was badly needed on the part of Ballinger.

By the later part of August, 1886, donations of money and provisions were being received by the county judges of the drought-stricken area, and methods of distribution had to be worked out.

The county judges of the drought district held a meeting at Albany on December 27, 1886, to devise new means of relief and to effect a permanent organization by which a more equitable distribution of aid might be had among the various counties. Some counties did not need help as badly as others, and some of those needing it worst were receiving the least. To remedy this inequality a central aid committee was set up to apportion the blanket contributions. It was estimated at the meeting, at which twenty-one counties were represented, that 30,000 people were destitute and that at least \$500,000 would be needed for relief. A resolution was adopted, calling upon the Legislature to pass

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## NEWS — IN AND AROUND BANDERA COUNTY

**THE DROUGHT** — its getting serious but sheep and goats are doing quite well. Cattle are losing weight every day — and late calves are certainly going to be dogies.

Growers here are plenty worried about winter feed. Suppliers are suggesting that no booking be done until September 15th saying that the price will be cheaper then. Everyone is all set to do some deep culling if it doesn't rain by September 15th. We have had lots of well trouble but most of that was just plain pump and pipe trouble. The water level is down, but not out. Raymond Hicks, one of your directors, solved his water troubles with a submersible type pump — the kind that has no moving parts except the motor and impellers down in the water. They certainly work beautifully and if they hold up, they look like the answer to a lot of our problems. Raymond says his will pump up from 20 to 40 pounds pressure in exactly 47 seconds. Others who have installed this type pump are Floyd Prue, Clifton Risner, W. B. Joiner, Paul Garrison at Medina, and several others.

Nearly all our ponds are dry — but most of our springs (the good ones) are still furnishing some water. The Medina River is mighty low. I hope by the time you get this, it will be out of date, and we will have had some rain.

### Stomach Trouble

In spite of the extremely dry weather, we have had some stomach worm trouble. Quite a few of the growers who are not using pheno-salt mixtures have had to drench this summer. Also are still having a few outbreaks of what Dr. Hardy calls "Sore Muzzle" in sheep. I think it would be a good thing for all growers if you would get full information on this new disease from Hardy and Price at the Sonora Station and publish it. We still don't understand all we know about it, but I got plenty of good information and advice from them when we had our worst seige here last month. Next year we will know what to do, if it comes again. Main thing seems to be to leave the affected ones alone — don't "chouse" them and they'll probably get over it.

### Feeding Lambs

4-H and FFA members are in the middle of trying to get together their feeder lambs. We already have 40 or 50 on feed, and it looks like we'll wind up with more than 200 head of lambs by show time. The boys are feeding all types — black-face crosses, Corriedale crosses, Rambouillet, Delaines, Southdowns and some unknowns. I think we'll get started a little earlier this year and probably have a better finish on our lambs. We also expect to have a lot of groups of 3 ewe lambs and ewes in our special breeding classes. I have 62 4-H members enrolled already and nearly everyone will have from two to ten lambs on feed. Enrollments are still coming in nearly every day.

### Goats Shearing Light

Goat shearing is in full swing.

Goats are shearing light, as the hair is plenty dry. Incidentally we are quite proud of Russell Koontz's old stud billy — he won the C-type championship at Rocksprings, in spite of his age. We think he is one of the top stud billys in Texas, not only because he has been a consistent show winner, but also because he has bred so true

and has passed his desirable characteristics on to his offspring. I have yet to see one of his offspring with bad horns or feet and almost all carry lots of good fleece. This goat was originally bought from Brooks Sweeten by Thomas Keese, Jr. when Thomas was a 4-H member. He developed the kid and sold him to Russell at the Junior Goat Show when it was held at Brady in 1947 (I think). Since then he has headed the Koontz flock and has helped develop one of the best little flocks in Texas

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**A load of yearling muttons was delivered** August 17 to a Nebraska buyer by Otho Drake of San Angelo. The sheep were originally from the Jap Holman flocks at Sonora. They averaged over 75 pounds.

**Hubert Whitfield of San Angelo** sold 315 lambs to Harbon Neal of San Angelo. Whitfield also shipped 938 lambs to Kansas.

**The Crockett Morrison blackface lambs** from Uvalde have been sold to Roy Ethridge of Kansas City, Mo., at 30 cents a pound. They were delivered August 16.

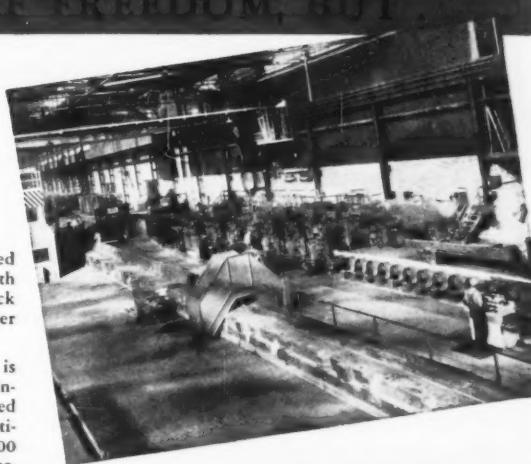
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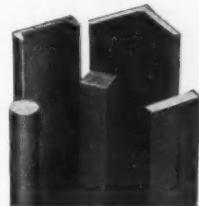
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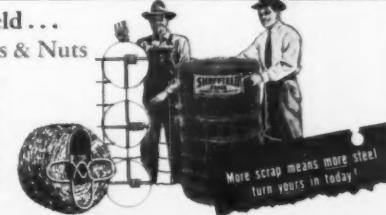
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## DROUGHT CAUSES INCREASE IN LIVESTOCK MARKETINGS

"THE HEAT and the drought — they've about got us," says one Texas rancher.

Another one says, "I'm selling nearly all my stock because my pasture is parched, my waterholes are drying up, my feed crop is a failure — and feed's too high to buy."

These remarks, heard at every livestock yard these days, bring out the main reason for the heavy flow of cattle, sheep, goats and hogs to southwest markets.

The U. S. Department of Agriculture's Production and Marketing Administration reports that twice as many goats showed up at San Antonio during the first 20 days of August compared to the same period in July. Estimates ran well over 8,000 head, about 12% more than a year ago.

Of course, goat arrivals at San Antonio are always heavy at this time of year when culling is in full swing. However, weather conditions have caused ranchers to sell more carefully this year.

San Antonio goat prices broke sharply under the pressure of these heavy receipts. Bulk common and medium Angoras and Spanish lost \$3.50 to \$4.00 a 100 pounds offerings around \$11 to \$12.50. Heavy supplies of culs realized mostly \$8.00 to \$9.00.

Nannies dropped \$4 to \$5. As the month drew to a close, shorn nanny and wether Angoras moved on stocker account at \$10.25, while Spanish type nannies secured \$10.50 to \$12. Kids slipped \$1 to \$1.50 a head, closing around \$5.50 to \$6.50.

Price trends in the sheep and lamb trade at the Alamo City followed irregular trends during August. Although losses of 25 to 50 cents a 100 pounds showed now and then, broad demand kept slaughter spring lambs about steady. Utility and good grades turned at \$26 to \$28.

Cull ewes dropped as much as \$2 a 100 pounds as they made up a heavy portion of the total receipts at San Antonio. Prices ranged from \$9 to \$11 on August 20.

Also, old ewes, mainly culs, made up about three quarters of the August arrivals at Fort Worth. Prices slipped about 50 cents during the first week of the month, but later recovered and remained steady. Cull ewes closed the period around \$11 to \$12. Good ewes went as high as \$15.

Small lots of slaughter lambs moved briskly at Fort Worth. Good and choice lots took a steady to higher course, reaching \$30 to \$31 a 100 pounds on August 20.

Mid-August saw heavy receipts of feeder lambs force prices lower at Fort Worth, but the month ended on mostly a steady basis. Medium and good feeder lambs brought mostly \$26 to \$29 and feeder yearlings \$22 to \$26.

Prolonged drought and favorable price conditions brought record runs of cattle to San Antonio during August. Marketings reached a peak about two months earlier than in previous years, says USDA.

More than half of these cattle, particularly calves, moved into stocker channels, leaving hardly enough supplies for slaughter buyers. Consequently, they bid actively against one another and kept prices generally steady.

Also at Fort Worth, expanding demand for stocker and feeder cattle was the major force behind steady to higher cattle prices.

Hog receipts declined seasonably at both San Antonio and Fort Worth. Prices reacted accordingly and reached \$23 a 100 pounds at San Antonio during the second week of August. Fort Worth prices hit \$23.50, the highest price since February and within 50 cents of the highest since August 1950.

However, by the end of the month, day-by-day fluctuations of 25 to 50 cents brought the bulk of the good and choice barrows and gilts down to a level of \$22.25 to \$22.50.

## SOIL SAVING IN U. S. STARTED IN 1748

THE FIRST book on soil conservation by an American for Americans was published in 1748. Today the flood of government literature on the conservation of natural resources is enormous, confusing, repetitive and costly, yet coming closer to being excusable waste than most other departmental activities in the ponderous USDA.

The last batch included a most fascinating historical study, "Early American Soil Conservationists." It was done for the Department of Agriculture by Angus MacDonald. He begins his story with Jared Eliot (1685-1763), a minister and doctor who visited his parishioners and the sick on horseback. Eliot recognized and described the signs of erosion in New England as it was already to be seen in those days.

In case you are interested in the evolution of language, here is an example of American as written by Jared Eliot in 1748:

"I have observed when I was in ye back parts of ye country above 20 years past when ye woods was not pastured and full of high weeds and ye ground was light then ye rain sunk much more into ye earth and did not wash and tear up ye surface (as now)."

During the period from 1620 to 1860 erosion became a major problem on many American farms. But land was plentiful and the New World settlers simply moved on — a form of "shifting agriculture" very much like that practiced by the Bantu in Africa.

# GATEWAY TO SOUTHWEST

## GOATS DOING FINE IN DRY REAL COUNTY

IN REGARD to the damage done by the drought here in Real County, most classes of livestock have held up remarkably well. Cattle seem to be gaining, calves are a little lighter than last year, the same holds true for lambs. Goats have thrived best of all in the dry weather. Most of the clips from goats have been heavy considering the dry year. Screw worms have been no problem this year.

There were no bumper crops of oats harvested in the county. Some farmers were lucky enough to harvest around 12-17 bushels per acre. A pretty good hay crop of Johnsongrass, Sudan, Alfalfa, and hegari was harvested. Cane also made fairly good hay.

Most of the grass is getting short and some of it is shorter. In these extra short areas, the ranchers are beginning to feed their livestock as they did during the winter. Sheep are getting a 1:4 mixture of salt and meal which will supplement what grass is left. Cattle are being fed hay. Most ranchers are buying their supply of hay and cake for the winter. Many ranchers are selling off old and weak animals which could be a problem to hold over this winter. More young stuff is being sold off also. Many lambs have been sold at 28 cents.

Panthers have been working on the goats of several ranchers in the county, one has been caught, but about three remain at large. Around 200 head of goats have been killed by panthers. Some of them were registered billies. Steps have been taken to corral the remaining panthers.

Many wells, springs and tanks have gone dry in the county. The water problem will be very critical in the near future if it doesn't rain soon.

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THE CALIFORNIA Department of Agriculture has amended its regulations concerning the dipping of sheep so that the one-dip method with BHC is now recognized and accepted as a sure kill for scabies. All sheep imported from other states must be dipped before they are permitted to enter California.

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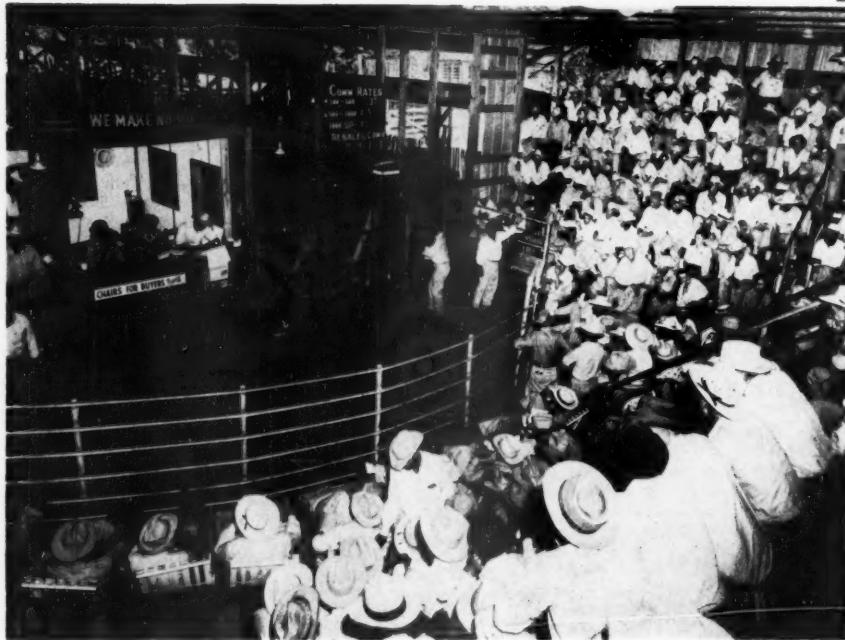
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## 'Sore Muzzle' Cleared Up

DR. W. T. HARDY, superintendent of the Sonora Experiment Station, outlined the history of "sore muzzle" in a talk to the directors of the Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association, August 2.

The first outbreak on record in Texas of the disease nicknamed "sore muzzle" was reported in 1948. The cases were widely scattered over a large area. Before any deductions could be made as to its origin, the malady cleared up. In 1949, there were no cases; in 1950 there were two known infections. Then in June, 1951 a wave of the disease swept over the state. The first case was reported 18 or 20 miles northwest of Langtry, according to Dr. Hardy.

The symptoms are overnight loss of weight, mouth ulcers, inability to eat and sometimes a purple look around the hoofs. No lesions, however, keep it from being foot and mouth disease.

After a series of experiments, no

conclusions have been drawn as to the cause. "Most cases occur in older sheep but lambs do have it," the Experiment Station chief said, "and cattle also become infected with it." The station staff believes that animals become immune to the disease after once having it. Fresh water and shade were found to be just as good a treatment as aconitine and penicillin.

Dr. Hardy noted that the disease is similar to a sheep ailment of South Africa known as Blue Tongue, but it is not transmitted by blood as is Blue Tongue. Blue Tongue has never been found in this country, but there are ten varieties of it in Africa.

The "sore muzzle" situation in Texas is rapidly clearing up by itself, Dr. Hardy said. Earlier in the month a few new cases were still being reported but by the middle of August, the Experiment Station was having difficulty finding enough infected sheep for its experiments.

## TRAVIS COUNTY IS IN GOOD SHAPE DESPITE DROUGHT

GOOD EARLY hay crops and an almost average corn crop have placed Travis County livestock raisers in fair condition to weather the coming winter. County Agent Elmo V. Cook reports.

Fall rains will be needed in that county to produce oat and sweet clover grazing. The acreage planned for oat-sweet clover planting will be equal or exceed that of 1950 in spite of a complete failure last year in oats. Sweet clover made a spring growth from which considerable hay and grazing were obtained.

The interest in silos increased several hundred percent over 1950. Among those filling trench and upright silos in Travis County were: George Spillmann, Morris Klingeman, Buda; Clarence Wieland, B. R. Payton, Dessau; Hillcrest Farms, Delvalle; H. F. Green, Hornsby Bend; Robert Turner, Three Point; David Gault, Sprinkle.

In spite of local trouble from stray dogs, farm and ranch sheep flocks are on the increase in Travis County. L. J. Luedcke of Austin, whose polled Rambouillet flock is recognized as one of the best in Texas, recently bought a ram from L. F. Hodges and Son of Sterling City to head his small flock of registered ewes.

Most of the lambs moved out of Travis County in July and early August.

**The Lasater Ranch of Falfurnas** has bought an additional 5,500-acre ranch near Matheson, Colorado. The land was purchased from Ellsworth Brothers.

Three years ago the Lasater Ranch bought the 10,000-acre Matheson Ranch and stocked it with their Beefmaster cattle. Lasater Ranch headquarters in Falfurnas first started developing Beefmasters in 1908.

## KERR COUNTY LIVESTOCK NEWS

FROM KERRVILLE, Guy Powell, county agent, gives this running report of livestock in Kerr and adjacent counties.

"The Fredericksburg Fair was as usual a very good one — very top sheep, goats and cattle.

"Kyle Wright, Kerr 4-H boy, has purchased a Suffolk stud ram and 10 stud ewes from Trans-Pecos Suffolk Ranch, Fort Stockton. Kyle will be remembered as the youngster who has brought in some very good Suffolks from Canada. He is also fitting a unit of Rambouillet sheep bred by Johnny Bryan for the commercial ewe class here at Kerrville next spring. Several of the 4-H boys and girls are developing sheep for the coming spring show.

"Goat sales are practically at a standstill — few selling and those at a slow figure. Sheep are also very sluggish.

"Five cars of calves were loaded out at Kerrville recently by Ben Deckert of Junction.

"Adam Wilson, Walter Wilson and Ben Chitam sold their top Hereford calves straight across for 56 cents.

"Ranchman's Commission Company at Junction purchased 1,500 mutton goats from the Y. O. Ranch for delivery on August 15.

"Shearing is underway but no selling of hair as yet. Fleeces are a little light."

"The Kerr County Mobilization

Committee is going forward with their report on ways to improve the Department of Agriculture services in Kerr County."

## SHEEP DOG TRIALS SET FOR OCTOBER 6

DIRECTORS OF the Southwestern Sheep Dog Society have announced the time and place of the annual dog trials. This year's Sheep Dog Trials will be held the last night of the Wool and Mohair festival at Kerrville, October 6. The event will take place in Antler Stadium.

The trials will be held at 7:30 o'clock in the evening and will feature both open and range dog trials.

First prize in each division will receive \$50, a trophy, and a ribbon; second place winners will be awarded \$25, a trophy and a ribbon; third place, \$15, a trophy and a ribbon; and fourth place finishers will receive \$10 and a ribbon.

The election of officers of the Southwestern Sheep Dog Society will be held at four o'clock, October 6 at the FFA and 4-H Club barns near the stadium.

**A. I. Mills of La Mota Ranch** south of Marfa, whose mailing address is Casa Piedra, purchased the David Combs lambs at Marathon on August 21. Included in the sale were 1600 head at 31 cents a pound. These were an exceptionally nice bunch of Rambouillet feeder lambs.

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## Texas Delaine News

By Mrs. G. A. Glimp

THE HOT, dry weather that has prevailed in Texas seems to be the first and foremost thought with every farmer and rancher. Despite this fact, however, there seems to be a strong demand for good rams and ewes.

The new volume of Texas Delaine-Merino Record Ass'n. has gone to press, and we are hoping to have this on hand much sooner than that of previous years. At the close of the fiscal year, it was very encouraging to find that registrations and transfers have been on the increase 20% or more. We take great pleasure in recognizing the following new breeders listed in this volume: L. F. Evans and Olan Buck of Bandera, J. W. Price and Eldon G. Williams of Bertram, Hugo Sattler of Doss, Jim Fulton, B. E. O'Dell, and Abe Magness of Dripping Springs, M. W. Young of Glen Cove, James Tippens and Doyal Roach of Goldthwaite, Edward Walker of Harper, Clovis M. Belvin, Ireland; Willis A. Wehmeyer, Luckenbach; J. R. Fegette, McGregor; Daniel Boone, Butte, Montana; Rex Bowman and Joe Allcorn, Talpa; J. L. Epperson, Temple; Mrs. Jack Horne, Valera; and D. T. Poston, Valley Mills.

At the Ram and Billy Sale in Fredericksburg July 20-21, the following breeders consigned rams, L. and W. Steubing, L. A. Roeder, Geo. and H. C. Johanson, C. F. Sappington, Hamilton Chat, W. E. Grimes, E. J. Fritz, Harry Moellering, and E. Schumann. These breeders exhibited some very good rams, but the sales were slow on all breeds. The anthrax quarantine in nearby Blanco and Hays Counties possibly had some bearing on this.

The Blanco County Fair and Rodeo

went on as scheduled in Johnson City August 3-5 after the lifting of the quarantine there. A. C. Linderman of Blanco carried off the honors in the sheep division with his flock of Delaines.

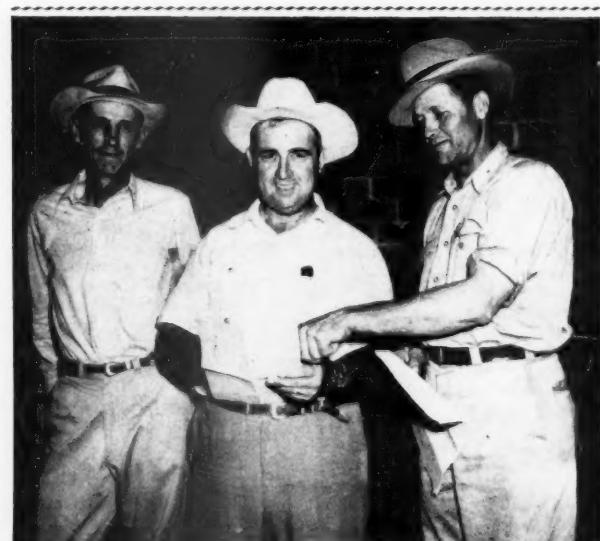
Raymond Walston of Menard decided that since the rainfall and climatic conditions were so far below normal there that he would have to assume the role of irrigation farmer and raise his own feed. He says this hasn't quite solved his problem, though, as the San Saba river cannot co-operate to the fullest without enough water to flow freely.

The Lampasas F. F. A. Chapter has purchased some ewes from W. E. Grimes to be used in the Sears Foundation Sheep Project. This is a wonderful program, and we wish every success to these boys in their new venture. Grimes also reports the sale of one of his show stud rams to L. and W. Steubing to be used in their flock.

The Austin Area Livestock Show is creating a long desired need of a boys and girls breeder class. Karl Peihl, Jr. of Georgetown is the first 4-H Boy in Williamson County to see the advantage this might bring to him and purchased some of the top ewes at the recent purebred show there. Another to have his future in mind is Marian Knox, 4-H Club girl of Bertram, who is putting her proceeds in registered ewes.

Dennis Warden and son, King, Mr. Quinn, Coleman; Jim Brown & Sons, Dayton; Earl and Frank McLure, Talpa; Ralph Courtney, Burnet; and J. C. Wright of Briggs are others to purchase foundation breeding stock.

M. C. Bigham, Harry Moellering, Frank Basse, George Grenwelge, and Joe Allcorn report sales to be par and above with them.



**NEW OFFICERS** — Recently elected officers of the Texas Delaine Merino Record Association are Owen Bragg of Talpa, vice-president; Lester Lohmann of Boerne, president; and George Johanson of Brady, secretary. Lohmann and Johanson were re-elected to their respective offices. Election was held in Coleman, June 29, at the annual show and sale.

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## In Memoriam

### JOSEPH L. CUNNINGHAM

JOSEPH L. CUNNINGHAM, 84, president and organizer of the Junction National Bank, died July 27 in a Temple Hospital.

A native of Mississippi, Mr. Cunningham came to Texas in 1891 on a visit and remained to work in the Frost National Bank in San Antonio. He married Miss Olivia Russell on July 27, 1893 and in 1900 they moved to Beaumont where he spent a quarter of a century in the banking business. He organized the Texas National Bank and served as its president until 1935. In 1932, he accepted a position with the RFC and was in charge of nine closed banks in the Louisiana district. He and Mrs. Cunningham moved to Junction from Louisiana in 1935.

Survivors include his widow; one son, Jordan of Junction; two granddaughters, Jo Ann and Barbara Lee of Junction, and several nieces and nephews.

### G. A. AUTRY

G. A. AUTRY, 89, Texas pioneer, died at his home in Coleman, August 9. Born in Mississippi, Mr. Autry came to Texas with his parents when he was eight years old. In 1892 the family moved from Houston to Scurry County.

He had engaged in stock-farming, school teaching, banking, and newspaper publishing during his life.

Survivors include five sons and three daughters from his first marriage, and four sons and two daughters from his second. A brother, J. B., 93, lives in Colorado City. Two sisters, Mrs. Dan McCarty and Mrs. Will Nichols, reside at Kennedy, Texas. Twenty-one grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren also survive.

R. A. Autry, publisher of a Coleman newspaper, is a son of the late Mr. Autry.

### ELI HENRY KOTHMANN

ELI HENRY KOTHMANN, well-known Hill Country ranchman, died August 1 after a long illness. A native of Mason, Mr. Kothmann and his wife moved to the ranch near London, Texas 42 years ago.

Survivors include his widow; six sons, Goodall, Howard, Raleigh, and Rankin of Junction, Walton of Menard and Woodrow of London; two daughters, Mrs. Loree Woodress of London and Mrs. Ruth Spaeth of Mason; two brothers, Ben and Dan of Mason; 17 grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

### VOLNEY B. SNODGRASS

VOLNEY B. SNODGRASS, 89, Hill Country ranchman, died July 30 in a Kerrville hospital.

A native of Indiana, Mr. Snodgrass came to Texas as a small child and as a young man took part in many of the cattle drives to Kansas and New Mexico.

He was married in 1889 to Mary

Georgina Hatch. The family moved to the Divide 49 years ago and has lived there since that time. Mr. and Mrs. Snodgrass observed their 62nd wedding anniversary this year.

Survivors include his widow and six children, Mrs. Ernest Morris, Mrs. Walter Merritt, Bryce, Volney, Jr., and Ross Snodgrass all of the Divide and Mrs. Mona Franks of San Angelo. One sister, Mrs. Mary Y. York of Scottsdale, Arizona and five grandchildren also survive.

### HERBERT T. BLOOD

HERBERT T. BLOOD, 67, retired banker and Corriedale sheep breeder, died in a Denver hospital August 24. He suffered a heart attack.

"Mr. Blood probably did more to further the Corriedale breed than any other man in the West or in Colorado," said Ernest Ramstetter, prominent Corriedale breeder of Golden, Colorado.

In 1918 he brought his first group of Corriedales from New Zealand. He served as president of the American Corriedale Association for 20 years.

The wool laboratory at Colorado A and M came about through the work and promotion of Mr. Blood. The first history of the Corriedale breed in this country was written by Mr. Blood and Dr. Fred Hultz.

Last year, Mr. Blood received the Enser medal from breeders in New Zealand for developing the standard and working to further the Corriedale breed.

Surviving are his wife; two daughters, Mrs. Barbara Broshous, West Point, N. Y. and Mrs. Dorothy Aurehus of Denver; a son, Herbert T. Blood, Jr. of Ridgewood, N. Y. and five grandchildren.

He was born on the Peril Ranch in Gillespie County and spent his entire life there.

He was very active in the civic life of Kerrville having served as president of the Kerrville Rotary Club.

Survivors include his wife; three children, Rollie E. and John R. Peril, and Mrs. Dean Hopf; and seven grandchildren, all of Harper.

### JOHN LEE HENDERSON

JOHN LEE (JACK) HENDERSON, 39, prominent Crockett County ranchman, died August 14.

Henderson was born in San Angelo, a son of Mrs. Lee Henderson and the late Mr. Henderson. He attended San Marcos Baptist Academy.

Survivors include his mother of San Angelo; two children, John Lee, Jr. and Helen, both of Ozona; three sisters, Mrs. Sam Scheuer of San Angelo, and Mrs. Ashby McMullan and Mrs. Jack Williams of Ozona.

## Range Talk

Ray Willoughby has received a part of Mrs. Milton Gillette's lambs from her Chillicote Ranch south of Valentine. These lambs, which were mixed blackface and Rambouillet, weighed 76 pounds.

Armour and Company through Vestel Agnew of Sonora got the fat end of the Gillette lambs which averaged around 85 pounds. The Gillette ranch is south of Valentine.

Ray Willoughby received the Ajax Simpson lambs August 27. They weighed 76 pounds. These lambs came off a dry ranch and the weight was very good considering. Price is said to be around 31 cents.

The old ewe market is quite active now with the sheepmen holding for higher prices than generally is being offered.

Fall shearing is slated to start west of the Pecos about September 1. Wool is expected to be light, clean and of good quality. Clips of short wool are expected to average from four to four-and-a-half pounds.

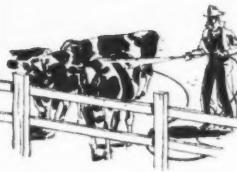
The 0 2 Ranch south of Alpine and Marfa, part in the Presidio County and part in Brewster, has sheep on it now for the first time in modern history. The ranch has more than 100 sections. The sheep went in on the east side — some 19,000 head of them. The ranch belongs to Lykes Brothers of Steamship fame. It is managed by Calvin Woodward.

The new Alpine-Terlingua highway runs through the place.

## Calendar

- September 3 — Bandera Ram and Billy Sale, Bandera
- September 7-8 — Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Association Quarterly Directors Meeting, Brackettville
- September 10 — Annual Suffolk Sale — Nelson Johnson Barns, San Angelo
- September 19 — Annual Rambouillet Sale — Nelson Johnson Barns, San Angelo
- September 22 — Sixth Annual Columbia and Suffolk Sheep Sale, Milan, Missouri
- October 3-6 — Wool and Mohair Festival, Kerrville
- October 6 — Bandera Quarter Horse Show, Bandera
- October 6-21 — State Fair of Texas, Dallas
- October 15-16 — 8th Annual National Columbia Show and Sale, Minot, North Dakota
- October 24 — 5th Annual Ram Sale, Colorado Wool Growers Assn., Denver, Colorado
- November 5-7 — 36th Annual Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Assn. Convention, El Paso
- December 4-7 — 87th Annual National Wool Growers Assn. Convention, Portland, Oregon
- December 5 — Johnson, Moore, Lemley, Allen Angus Bull Sale, San Angelo Livestock Auction Co.

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## Outdoor Notes

Joe Austell Small

DR. KARL von Frisch, professor at the University of Munich in Germany said: "Bees talk. Fish smell as well as hear."

The professor paused to let this sink in. Then he enlarged on the subject. "Bees do not speak, of course," he said. "They waggle. They have different waggles for different things. They have two basic topics of conversation. One is food. When a bee locates nectar, by a certain number of waggles per minute, it tells the home folks exactly how far they will have to travel. It also waggles in the direction of the nectar."

The professor then talked about fish. "They smell food in the water," he said. "They can hear, too. Once we put a student in an aquarium tank and played a violin. He didn't hear it, but the fish did. There is one species of fish, the knurrhahn, that almost talks. The male makes a soft growl. It's a signal. The female knurrhahn hears it and comes to him. Then he stops growling."

#### Rattlesnake's Eyes

Pupils in the eyes of rattlesnakes, and other pit vipers which are mostly nocturnal prowlers, are round at night. During daylight hours they contract to vertical slits, thus cutting the bright sunlight.

#### Dead Horse Kicks Man

"Never say die until you're kicked by a dead horse," is an old Australian saying. A farmer, near Bellingen, New South Wales, felt a little strange about that saying recently. He shot a horse, cut its throat and was skinning the left leg when it jerked loose

and whacked him on the chin. The farmer had to have six stitches taken.

#### Smartest Animal

The four men were talking about relative intelligence of animals as a whole. They were in a Bangkok bar, sipping lime squashes. The group consisted of George Emerson, M-G-M animal trainer, David L. Mobley, bird expert, Noel Rosfelt, Far East collector, and Mahout Sawart, a Siamese elephant boy. The quartet are collecting a boatload of animals to be sent to the U. S. According to the four experts, here are the most intelligent animals, in order of their listing: 1. The elephant, 2. The great ape family (gorilla, chimpanzee, orang-utan and gibbon), 3. The dog, 4. The horse.

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#### Buck Law Question

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#### Money and Gas Don't Mix

Michael Comella works at a filling station in Memphis Tennessee. Recently a sportsman drove into the station and asked him to help get the money out of his gas tank.

Comella blinked with surprise, removed the tank, drained it — and dumped out a pile of coins that totalled up to \$107.

The sportsman grinned happily. "My mother," he explained, "likes to drop change in the tank when she buys gas."

#### Black Cat Turns White

James W. Wright had a jet black Persian cat. Old Tab was always giving trouble trying to get at the canary. One day, while the cat was figuring out a new approach, the bird cage fell, striking the floor with a loud clatter and rolling around noisily. The frightened cat ducked for cover.

Old Tab disappeared for over 24 hours. When he finally showed again, there was a white ring around his neck. Wright says that the ring has spread now until only the cat's tail remains black. Some scare!

Jeff Owens of Ozona sold 1,500 Rambouillet mutton lambs to W. M. Barbee of San Angelo at 29 cents a pound for September 1 delivery.

## J. T. DAVIS BUYS MAYER SUFFOLKS

J. T. DAVIS of Sterling County was in the office August 11 with a picture of some Zebu goats which he saw on his trip to Brazil.

"These goats are big and are a very popular meat animal in South America," said Mr. Davis.

He is trying to find a milk goat to put with his Spanish goats. "That will increase the size of the kids and crossbred does will give a lot more milk," he says.

Mr. Davis had just returned from a visit to the Sol Mayer ranch where he purchased 50 head of the Sol Mayer Suffolk ram lambs. "Saw his ad in the Sheep and Goat Raiser, phoned him, saw the rams the next morning and bought them right off. His ram lambs are good."

Mr. Davis reported the Mayer ranch to have lots of grass although the country is getting dry. West of Eldorado and Sonora it is getting very dry, he said.

Kelly Owen of San Saba reported that stockmen in that area are not contemplating buying lambs or leasing grass for next winter. The reason is the continued dry weather and uncertain prospects for the winter. Grass is being offered at about \$7 per head, per month, Kelly Said, but there have been no takers. Stockmen remember how dry it was last winter and wonder if it could be worse next time.

W. E. Berry of Stanton sold 400 mixed age Rambouillet ewes to Russell Hays of San Angelo at \$12 a head. The ewes were shipped to Oklahoma, August 3.

Amos Womble, San Angelo commission man, received 974 lambs, on July 27, from George Skeete of Water Valley. The lambs brought 28 cents a pound and pay weight was 67 pounds.

The 1,000-acre ranch of Wilson Clayton at Utopia has sold to John Tyse at \$60 per acre.

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## Texas Leads in Livestock Auctions According to Bulletin

TEXAS IS the leading state in number of livestock auctions and in the number of cattle, sheep and hogs marketed by this method, according to a new bulletin released by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station. The greatest growth in numbers of auctions has occurred in the past 15 years.

Several reasons are given for the increased growth. Farmers and ranchmen like the ease and convenience of selling and buying through auctions. They like the social and educational aspects of the auction. It provides an opportunity to meet friends and discuss the merits of the animals sold in relation to the prices paid.

According to the Livestock Sanitary Commission of Texas, 168 auc-

tions were operating in Texas on October 20, 1950. Thirty-seven of these auctions in various parts of the state were included in a study made recently by Dr. John G. McNeely, Charles B. Brotherton and Travis M. McKenzie, research agricultural economists.

This study of livestock auctions is mainly descriptive. It does not attempt to point out any advantages this method of sale may have over other methods, McNeely said. It is an introductory step in what is hoped to be a continuing study of the various types of market outlets available to Texas livestock producers.

Bulletin 732, "Livestock Auctions in Texas," is available from the Publications Office, College Station, Tex.

### WAREHOUSE FILES SUIT AGAINST BOSTON FIRM

THE SONORA Wool and Mohair and Mohair Company filed a suit for \$144,178.47 in federal court in San Angelo, July 27, against Edward L. Crane and Jim Edgar of Boston. The amount is alleged due the Sonora company in payment for 327,023 lbs. of 12-months wool.

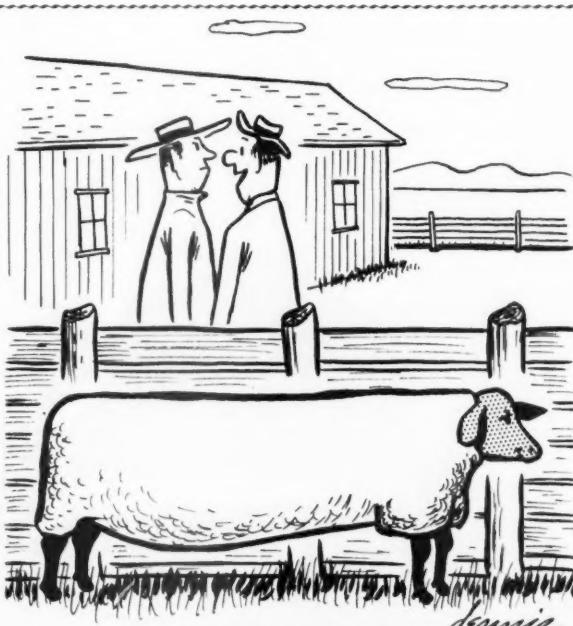
The original petition states that in March 1951, Russell Martin of Del Rio bought certain wool clips agreeing to pay \$1.70 per pound.

Martin was the broker buying for Crane and Edgar. On March 30, Crane wrote the Sonora firm confirming the purchase of the following clips of wool: Fred Earwood, Bryan Hunt, J. M. Auld, P. McIntosh, T.

E. and H. E. Glasscock, Karnes Estate, Theo Sowell & Sons, Dave Locklin, Espy & VanderStucken, E. M. Jackson, Luelle O'Leary, the Hospital Ranch, W. R. and B. H. Cusenbary and Hattie Elps.

The petition says further that the Sonora Wool and Mohair Company delivered 327,023 pounds of wool at the contract price of \$1.70 per pound to Bollman Industries, San Marcos. The total sale was \$556,245.10 plus transportation charges from Sonora to San Marcos which amounted to \$1,373.95 for a grand total of \$557,619.05.

The defendants in the case have paid the plaintiff \$413,440.58 but have not remitted with the remainder. The suit asks only for the unpaid balance, that of \$144,178.47.



"Hey, Jim, would you think I was nuts to say I had worked out the ideal crossbreed — a Suffolk and a Dachshund?"

## SHEEP AND GOAT ACTIVITIES PLANNED FOR STATE FAIR

PLANS FOR sheep and goat raisers activities at the 1951 State Fair of Texas, Dallas, October 6-21 are now shaping up, according to Fair officials.

Tuesday, October 9, has been designated Texas Purebred Sheep Breeders Association Day with association President Owen Bragg of Talpa, Texas, in charge of final arrangements.

Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers Association day will be Friday, October 12. President Frank Roddie of Brady and Secretary Ernest Williams of San Angelo are arranging the program.

Both sheep and goats will be recognized in sections of the mammoth "Storybook of Texas Agriculture" agriculture show this year. The display will feature individual dioramas for each of the state's 14 Texas A & M Extension Service districts.

The display for the Edwards Plateau, District 7, will feature two live lambs in the center of a large cut-out gold dollar. The coin will bear the legend "In Sheep We Trust", recognizing the existence in District 7 of the world's largest inland wool market. Also shown in the display will be fleece from one sheep, the fleece in processed condition, and the amount of fabric which can be produced from one fleece.

Angora Goat kids will be displayed in a cage in the diorama for District

### ROY KOTHMANN GETS 4-H HONOR

ROY M. KOTHMANN, well known San Antonio livestock commission man, was presented with a silver spur tie clasp for outstanding work done in Extension District II. The spur contains a gold 4-H emblem.

The award was made by District Agent R. S. Miller at a District II meeting in Uvalde, August 6.

### COLORADO RANCH SELLS

THE 5,200-acre Henney Ranch on the Blue River in Colorado has been sold by its owner, Mattie Rathburn, to H. D. Eggers and Son of Kremmling, Colorado.

Prices for the ranch was in excess of \$100,000. The land will run 300 cows and includes good improvements and water rights. The country fronts on Green Mountain reservoir.

Cleve Jones, Sr., of Sonora bought about 12,000 lambs in the 10-day period between July 30 and August 8. The lambs were from Terrell, Val Verde and Sutton Counties and price on all of them was 29 cents.

Jones also bought 3,000 solid-mouth ewes in the same counties at \$15 and \$16 a head.

Lambs and calves were going a little earlier than usual, Jones declared. This was due to the dry weather, he thought. He shipped 600 calves from Sonora early in August with a 36-cent price on them. His purchases for fall delivery were few, most of them for immediate shipment.

11, the Hill Country and Winter Garden Area. From this district comes 90 per cent of the world's mohair and swags of mohair fabric and a garment made from mohair will also be shown.

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# Foxtail Johnson Objects

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Us country folks work seven days a week and still we get into just as much trouble as city folks that take two full days off for devilment.

The folks over to Beaver Slide say they ain't got no garbage disposal

problem but just let nature take its course. What the dogs don't clean up the flies will.

"Who wants to watch televishun," sighs Sledge Wicup, "when he can watch sour mash bubblin' in a barrel?"

Clab Huckey won the pie eatin' contest at the community picnic and like to have died that night. Victim of inflation, he says.

We like sunshine in winter but we like moonshine anytime.

It's just one thing after another. First we had to build concrete shelters to be safe from the atom bomb. Now we gotta dig 'em deeper and reinforce 'em to be safe from the OPS.

I'm feelin' reckless enough to buy Bermuda a full new outfit of furniture for our shack. Gonna do it too, soon as I find a storekeeper reckless enough to sell me the stuff on tick.

Mrs. Hod Frazzy is havin' herself a nice sick spell, but says she don't enjoy it half as much as the one she had last year when Hod was away.

My enemies eat and drink more'n my friends. Why? Didn't you ever hear of the white hosses and the black hosses?

I've owned a pack of dogs in my time, but had to get rid of all of 'em. Just can't stand to have a dumb critter around that's smarter'n I am.

Things ain't never so bad but what they can get worse. Next year we'll be lookin' back on 1951 as the Good Old Daze.

Mrs. Snag Posey says nothin' ever changes at their place. Snag's still makin' the same mistakes as ten years back, and she's wearin' the same clothes.

Josh Blicker is movin' his chicken yard from the side yard by the house to clear in back of his meskeet grove, plumb out of sight of sight of passin' parsons.

You never fool nobody about yourself except yourself.

Bart Whepley's kinfolks tried to have him put in the unsane assilum, and then they found out what made him act so loco. He was tryin' to obey some Washington directives.

In the old us Texans just had to sweat out the summers. Now we got window coolers, but there's 10,000 other things we have to sweat out.

So live your life that your enemies can do you more harm by lyin' about you than tellin' the truth.

Quite a few new homes would be built around here if somebody could figger out a way to show 'em off to

the neighbors while keepin' 'em hid from the tax assessor.

It's plumb silly, this campane for honesty in guverment. Make it honest and who'll be able to recognize it?

Another trouble with this country is too much sand in the gears and not enough in the craw.

Mrs. Sledge Wicup got quite a shock after the summer rains bleached

out all the younguns around her place. She saw that six or seven of the gang she had been feedin' regular wasn't hers at all, but strays from a cotton camp.

The mechanized farm would be just as safe as any if it wasn't also people-sized.

Leroy Spires of Snyder has moved all his cattle from the Arden ranch to a five-section grass lease at Channing.

A 433-acre stock farm in Lampasas County has been purchased by Elmer D. Graves of Crockett County. Only 67 acres of the farm are in cultivation. The rest is in good grass and pecan trees. He plans to operate the place in conjunction with his Crockett County ranch.

Otho Drake of San Angelo sold \$83 head of five-year-old ewes with blackface lambs for Joel R. Barton of San Angelo, Bumyan, Lowe & Carlile of Fowler, Kansas, were the buyers. Price was \$50 a pair.

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## Shirley Godbold Is Crowned Queen of the Silver Fleece

THE CORONATION of the Queen of Mohair, staged August 3, at the Rocksprings School Auditorium, highlighted the social events of the Texas



**MOHAIR QUEEN OF TEXAS** — On August 3, Miss Shirley Godbold of Leakey became the twelfth Texas girl to assume the title of Mohair Queen. She was crowned at the annual meeting of the Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association in Rocksprings by Joe Brown Ross of Sonora. Mr. Ross is president of the Texas Association and is also chief executive of the American Angora Goat Breeders Association. Miss Margaret Orr, left, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Orr of Bertram, was named Miss Mohair and will ascend the Angora throne next year. Miss Godbold, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Godbold of Leakey, wore a gown of white net. Miss Orr's dress was fashioned of orchid net. The crown is made of mohair.

### SHEEP & GOAT RAISER

Angora Goat Raisers Association 32nd Annual Show and Sale. An overflow crowd gathered to witness the colorful ceremony, joining the ladies of the court and their escorts in paying grateful homage to those whose sterling qualities have contributed so greatly to the progress of the Mohair industry.

The stage setting portrayed a typical ranch scene. Various types of native brouse and replicas of wildlife indigenous to the Edwards Plateau formed the foreground. Against the background was silhouetted an Angora goat head, surrounded by gleaming stars. The entire scene was bathed with silver, pink and green glitter, giving the effect of moonbeams filtering through the setting.

As the curtain parted, in the Spirit of Asia Minor, the original home of the Angora goat, soft strains of piano music, played by Mrs. Ray Moody, drifted over the assemblage. Col. John R. Banister, the Master of Ceremonies, appeared on the stage to assume his duties of the evening, beginning with a brief prologue dedicated to the forces of the Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association who for more than three decades have been moving steadily forward toward the development of the Mohair Industry. Col. Banister announced that in commemoration of this advancement the people would hold court and that the summons of the regal assemblage was forthcoming. This was effected in the Spirit of 1849, the year of the Angora goat's introduction to the United States. Rodney Valentine, attired in Indian costume, approached the stage from the side and to the steady beat of his tom-tom, slowly proceeded down the center aisle to the rear of the auditorium where the ladies of the court entered.

As each lady arrived she was greeted by the Master of Ceremonies and proceeded down the aisle. As she ascended the ramp and stepped onto the stage, she was met by her escort who accompanied her to her designated seat.

Arriving first were the Noble Visitors to the court, representing Rocksprings, the Angora goat capital of the world. Carrying filmy fan and flower arrangements, they entered in the following order:

Lady Lorelei of the House of Hankins, escorted by Garland Varga;

Lady Jo Ann of the House of Tatum, escorted by Buck Tomlinson;

Lady Cappy of the House of Brown, escorted by Sam Shanklin;

Lady Lilla of the House of Mayes, escorted by Tom Bill Taylor.

To hail the entry of the reigning Queen of Mohair, James Sweeten, in cub scout uniform, appeared on the stage bearing the flag of the United States. The Master of Ceremonies announced the arrival of Her Gracious Majesty, Emily Ruth of the House of Powell, Queen of Mohair, attired in a pastel blue gown and carrying pink asters. Miss Powell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Guy Powell of Kerrville, was escorted by Jack Hyde, also of Kerrville. When the Queen was seated on her throne, the Master of Ceremonies announced the Royal Household, representing the vast area of West Texas was arriving.

Personifying the hours of the day and evening alternating with the portrayal of the sterling traits and attributes that contributed so much to the progress of the mohair industry, each duchess, carrying a miniature shepherd's staff, bowed before the Queen as she approached the stage and took her place in the semi-circular seating arrangement in the following order:

From Uvalde, in a silvery gown,

Lady Mollie of the House of Watkins . . . in the Spirit of the Morning Star, escorted by Haygood Gulley.

From Kerrville, in a coral gown, Lady Virginia of the House of Moore . . . in the Spirit of Courage, escorted by John Powell.

From Bertram, in an orchid gown, Lady Margaret of the House of Orr . . . in the Spirit of the Morning Mist, escorted by Kent Goode.

From Carta Valley, in a green and white gown, Lady Peggy of the House of Bish . . . in the Spirit of Faith, escorted by Tooter Shanklin of Rocksprings.

From Sonora, in a pastel blue gown, Lady Marilyn of the House of Mittel . . . in the Spirit of Celestial Light, escorted by Billy Savell.

From Leakey, in a green gown, Lady Nancy of the House of Haby . . . in the Spirit of Ambition, escorted by Buddy Priddy of Camp Wood.

From Junction, in a yellow gown, Lady Jean of the House of Landers . . . in the Spirit of the Bright of Day, escorted by Harold Dunk.

From Mason, in a light blue gown, Lady Jen-Doell of the House of Brandenberger . . . in the Spirit of Wisdom, escorted by Donald Blannhein.

From the Divide, in a green gown shaded from pastel to emerald, Lady Cathie Bess of the House of Klein . . . in the Spirit of Afternoon Shadows, escorted by W. C. Klien.

From Mountain Home, in a yellow gown, Lady Doris Bea of the House of Merritt . . . in the Spirit of Advancement, escorted by Dynamite Hoggett.

From Blanco, in a deep purple gown, Lady Patricia of the House of Arnold . . . in the Spirit of Western Radiance, escorted by Bob Taylor.

From Sabinar, in an aqua gown with white lace overskirt, Lady Don-ave of the House of Davis . . . in the Spirit of Quality, escorted by Ray Henry, and

From Rocksprings, in a black gown, Lady Jo Ann of the House of Craig . . . in the Spirit of the Glorious Night, escorted by Raymond Custer.

When the Royal Household was seated, in the Spirit of the Present, Kenneth and Phillip McCoy, in typical western attire, sang a cowboy ballad and received roarious applause from the audience.

Announcements by the Master of Ceremonies came forth that in the Spirit of Tradition, Miss Mohair, Princess of the Silver Fleece, was arriving to assume her regal duties for the coming year and thence greeted Her Royal Highness, Shirley of the House of Godbold. Miss Godbold, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Godbold of Leakey, was escorted by Jack Helms, also of Leakey. Her gown was of white net, and she carried white asters.

The Master of Ceremonies next announced His Excellency, Joe Brown Ross, President of the Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association, who approached the stage and impressively effected the crowning ceremony whereby Miss Powell relinquished her reign to Miss Godbold. When Miss Powell descended the throne, Mr. Brown presented her with an appropriately designed bracelet, a gift from the Association.

The Crown Bearer, John Sweeten, attired in western clothes and wear-  
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**MOHAIR MOTIF** — During the 32nd annual Texas Angora Goat Raisers Show and Sale in Rocksprings, August 2-4, a coffee was given in honor of the breeders' wives and the Mohair Queen and her court. A mohair motif was used throughout in decoration. Note the lacy flowers in the center of the table made of mohair. Left to right are: Mrs. Dor Brown, Rocksprings, serving cake; Jen-Doell Brandenburger, Mason; Mrs. Guy Powell, Kerrville; Mrs. M. B. Padgett, Tarpley; Alta Mae Miller, Rocksprings, a former Mohair Queen; Jean Landers from Junction; Mrs. W. G. Brown, Rocksprings, serving coffee; and Jo Ann Craig, duchess from Rocksprings.



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## MOHAIR QUEEN

(Continued from page 49)

ing mohair chaps, appeared with the crown. Mr. Ross placed the lovely mohair crown upon Miss Godbold's head, and she ascended the throne as Queen of Mohair.

For the pleasure of the Queen, there took place the following entertainment: song, "Mr. and Mrs. Mississippi" by Kenneth and Phillip McCoy; accordion numbers, "Red Wing" and "Jalousie" beautifully rendered by Evelyn Edwards and lastly, "The Eyes of Texas" sung by Kenneth and Phil-

lip McCoy with Evelyn Edwards playing the accordion. Mrs. Ray Moody was the accompanist for all of the numbers.

The eagerly awaited moment of the evening's festivities had now been reached and the Master of Ceremonies announced to an expectant audience that the lady chosen to assume the royal title of Miss Mohair for the coming year was Miss Margaret Orr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Orr of Bertram. The court then followed the Queen in withdrawing from the Auditorium to the Queen's Ball, final festivity of the day.

Mrs. H. S. Martindale was in charge of all arrangements for the coronation including the procedure and decorations.

Bob Hurt of San Angelo loaded 2,000 5-year-old ewes from the Hutto Ranch of Del Rio. They were put on railroad cars at Sonora. Half of the ewes were resold to Fred Ball of San Angelo and half went to Doug Adams of Ozona at about \$17 a head.

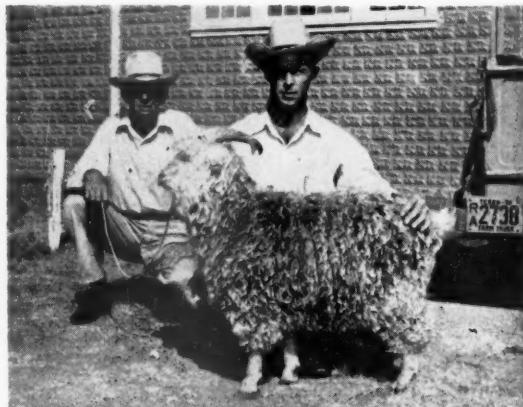
Walton Poage of Rankin sold 1,200 to 1,400 lambs to Russell Hayes of San Angelo at 30½ cents a pound for delivery August 21.

Hayes also bought 800 mixed Ramboillet lambs from C. P. Arthur at Marfa.

Otho Drake of San Angelo purchased 400 mixed Ramboillet lambs from Bill Locklear at Utopia. The lambs, which sold at 30 cents a pound, were delivered at Sonora, August 18.

Mark Cooper of San Angelo has purchased 700 solid-mouth ewes from L. A. Vanderford of San Angelo. Roy Harkey of San Angelo arranged the sale which was completed at \$16.50 per head.

Bill Adams of Mertzon sold 500 mixed lambs for September 10 delivery to a San Saba buyer. The Ramboillet lambs, which are contracted for 31 and 32 cents a pound, are expected to weigh 60 pounds.



**HIGH JAYCEE SALE BUCK** — H. A. Barnett of Marble Falls purchased this Angora buck for \$127.50, which was the highest price of the Fredericksburg Jaycee Sale, July 21. The buck was consigned by J. B. Reagan and Son of Leakey. (Photo courtesy Fredericksburg Standard).



**FREDERICKSBURG TOP** — This yearling ram, a registered Southdown, was consigned to the Jaycee Ram and Billy Sale by Thomas Pape of Tivydale Community. Buyer was Scotty Roberds (right) of San Saba, who paid the highest price of the sale, \$112.50, for the ram. (Photo courtesy of Fredericksburg Standard.)



By Jack B. Taylor

BREEDERS WHO have become members of the American Rambouillet Sheep Breeders Association since the last issue include: O. J. Holleman, Bangs, Texas; Coffin Sheep Company, Yakima, Washington; P. J. Bennion and Sons, American Fork, Utah.

The Association's 1951 breed booklet "Rambouillet", is being distributed to all active members of the Association and to persons who request information about the Rambouillet breed.

A. W. Keys, member from Eldorado, Texas, has shipped a ram to new member, H. W. Schussman and Sons of Malone, Wisconsin.

#### NORTH CONCHO DISTRICT MAKES RANGE AWARDS

THE THIRD annual 12-month North Concho Soil Conservation District range management contest was conducted August 11 at Sterling City. The field day was held on the North Concho River at the Foster & Hildebrand Ranch, and six Sterling County 4-H Boys were named as winners in the annual contest.

Delmar Radde won a \$50 prize as first place winner in the first year contest and Charles Probandt won the second prize of \$40. The second year boys were headed by Clinton Hodges who won a first prize of \$50 with 573 points. Larry Glass won the second place \$40 award with 569 points. Henry Bliznak won \$30 with 530 points and Billy Humble was awarded \$20 for 488 points.

These boys kept detailed records for 12 months on specific range sites, measuring their improvement or decline, testing moisture penetration and studying the native grasses. These records were the most important part of their judging scores, and a final grass identification contest Saturday completed the field day.

Judges for the contest were Joe Johnson, assistant Runnels County agent; Forrest Runge of Christoval, member of the board of supervisors of the Eldorado-Divide Soil Conservation District; and E. J. Hughes.

Herman Chandler has purchased livestock and the ranch of Mr. and Mrs. John Whistler located east of Dryden.

The Whistlers plan to move to their home in Sanderson.

Roy Ethington of Kansas City bought 1,000 lambs from Hubert Whitfield of San Angelo and two loads from Doug Kirby of Ozona. The lambs averaged about 65 pounds.

Carl H. Hauser, member from DeRidder, Louisiana, writes the Association office that he has now moved to Vilania, Arkansas. He carried 82 head of sheep with him and reports they are doing fine on their new range.

Most livestock shows require 4-H and FFA Chapter breeders to have certificates of registry or transfers showing ownership, prior to a certain date to insure the boys have done the feeding of their projects. It is not too early to start taking care of this matter now. Each year some boys do not get to exhibit because of this negligence.

Dr. W. T. Hardy of the Ranch Experiment Station at Sonora, reports that the following have entered sheep in the progeny test due to officially begin the 5th of September. V. I. Pierce, 4 head; E. G. Branch, 8 head; Noelke and Owens, 16 head; R. Q. Landers, 4 head; Miles Pierce, 4 head; Pat Rose, 12 head; Wallace Hendricks, 12 head; Leonard Richardson, 4 head; Owen Bragg, 4 head; Leo Richardson, 8 head; B. F. Bridges, 8 head; L. A. Norden, 16 head; F. M. Bierschawle, 8 head; W. L. Davis, 8 head; A. W. Keys, 4 head; Van C. Brown, 4 head. In addition, there are indications that Dr. J. C. Miller will enter four, and Dr. B. L. Warwick at the Bluebonnet Farms will enter eight head. Mr. Hardy also reports that the Ranch Experiment Station will carry about 56 head through the test, part of which will be carried on pasture with supplemental feed.

The Station plans to begin working sheep, shearing, etc. on September 5. This will allow all the cooperators to start bringing their sheep in beginning August 26 and continuing through September 2.

A number of active members have been by the office this month to obtain registration papers on sheep going to the Junction Sale. Some of these breeders are: Ed Ratliff, Bronte; B. F. Bridges & Son, Bronte; A. H. Floyd, Eden; Joe Lemley of Morgan & Lemley, San Angelo; and J. A. Nunn, Brownwood.

#### NEW RECORD SALE

IN PENDLETON, Oregon, August 17, a pen of five Rambouillet rams sold for \$3,350, which is believed to be the highest price ever paid for a pen of five in the United States.

The rams were sold by the John K. Madsen Company of Mount Pleasant, Utah to Leo Hahn of Antelope, Oregon at the Oregon ram sale.

This price made the five rams average \$660 per head.

#### RAMBOUILLET RAM BRINGS \$2,000.00

FOR THE second straight year, the Rambouillet Breed took the spot-light at the National Ram Sale in Salt Lake City, Utah, August 20th and 21st.

A yearling Rambouillet Ram, consigned by the Nielson Sheep Com-  
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## RAMBLINGS

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pany, Ephraim, Utah, topped the sale at \$2,000.00. Successful bidder on the ram was Sylvan J. Pauly, of Deer Lodge, Montana, who purchased last year's sale topping Rambouillet at \$2,500.00.

Some other top stud sales included: A George L. Beal & Sons ram to R. O. Sheffield of San Angelo, Texas at \$1,200.00; a Nielson Sheep Co. ram to Dick Henderson of Ozona, Texas, at \$1,115.00; and a John K. Madsen ram to the Branch Agricultural College, Logan, Utah, at \$1,050.00.

The average on 21 Rambouillet stud rams was \$629.50.

A new sale record for a pen of rams was established at this sale. Consigned by George L. Beal & Sons of Ephraim, Utah, this pen of 5 rams brought \$560.00 from the L. U. Sheep Co. of Thermopolis, Wyoming. Alex Healy, principal owner of the L. U. Sheep Co. purchased 6 pens of 5 rams at a total cost of \$12,550.00. The 12 pens of registered rams averaged \$343.75.

The overall average on 320 Rambouillet rams was \$310.17.

Monday morning 295 Columbias

averaged \$232.54 with the high individual bringing \$560.00. Eighty-four Panamas averaged \$245.65 with the top ram bringing \$335.00. Twenty-nine Targhees averaged \$139.65. The pen of 10 Corriedales brought \$150 per head and the pen of 10 Rambouillet-Lincoln crossbreds brought \$360 per head.

### NEW MEXICO RAM SALE

AT THE 14th Annual New Mexico Ram Sale in Albuquerque, New Mexico, August 15th and 16th, the trend away from crossbreeding in the Southwest was again illustrated by decided preference for the Rambouillet Breed.

The top selling stud was consigned by the John K. Madsen Rambouillet Farms, Mount Pleasant, Utah. This ram brought \$610.00, and was purchased by the Rancho de Abiquiu, Abiquiu, New Mexico. Stud rams in this sale are shown in the fleece and then shorn before being sold.

The top selling pen, also Rambouillets, was consigned by Wynn S. Hansen of Collinston, Utah. It was purchased by Stewart McArthur of Wagon Mound, New Mexico.

Rams for the New Mexico Ram Sale are selected in advance by the Sale Management and a small area of wool on the hip clipped off. On arrival at the sale the clipped lock is

measured and a certified estimated staple length for 12 months growth on the range is assigned. This staple length varies from 16 to 20 per cent below actual growth, depending on condition of the rams. Grease weight of the fleece and the estimated shrink is announced.

### RAMBOUILLET BREEDERS MEET IN UTAH

THE AMERICAN Rambouillet Sheep Breeders Association held its 63rd Annual Meeting in the Hotel Utah, Salt Lake City, Utah, at 8:30 P. M., August 20th. Members were in high spirits since the 320 Rambouillet Rams sold during the afternoon averaged \$310.17 each, compared to last year's record breaking average of \$222.72.

Seventy-one new members were admitted to the Active Member list of the Association, compared to last year's 35, and records showed 1821 more sheep had been recorded than during the previous fiscal year.

Adin Nielson, Ephraim, Utah was elected president, to succeed Leo Richardson, Iraan, Texas. R. O. Sheffield of San Angelo, director of district number two (the western half of Texas) was elevated to the vice-presidency. Sylvan J. Pauly, Deer Lodge, Montana, director of district

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number five and Clyde That, Burkett, Texas, director of district number two were reelected as directors. John Williams of Eldorado, Texas was elected to replace Mr. Sheffield as director of district number three.

Sylvan Pauly addressed the members briefly. He stressed the importance of improving all breeds of sheep in the interest of the industry.

At the conclusion of the meeting, Mr. Richardson was presented a beautiful, engraved, metal-back guest book, containing a raised replica of one of his own rams as a token of appreciation for his leadership and hard work in leading the Association through two very successful years.

The Executive Board meeting was held following the open session. Jack B. Taylor, San Angelo, Texas was re-appointed Secretary-Treasurer.

Texas sheepmen seen in Salt Lake City during the Ram Sale include:

Mr. and Mrs. R. O. Sheffield, San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. J. H. (Bubba) Simms, Miles; Mr. and Mrs. Leo Richardson, Iraan; Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Joble, Clifton; Mr. and Mrs. Guy Branch and Carroll Ann, Rankin; Mr. and Mrs. John Bowen, Dallas; Mr. and Mrs. John Cargile, San Angelo; Mr. and Mrs. Clyde That, Burkett; also Dick Henderson, Ozona; Woodrow Mills, Marfa; Nelson Johnson, San Angelo; Frank Roddie, Brady; and Ernest Williams, San Angelo.

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The Rambouillet Sale in San Angelo set a new high for a ram sold in Texas, and established a national record of \$610.00 each for a pen of 5 rams. Studs averaged \$429.50 and sale average was \$188.00.

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## BUYING INSECTICIDES AHEAD

TWO REASONS have been given to back up the forecast of increasing shortages of insecticides the latter part of this year and next. One is that current production cannot overtake already existing shortages and the other is that the increasing demand for agricultural insecticides is being matched by the increased demand from a number of non-agricultural industries for the basic chemicals needed to produce insecticides. Obviously now is a good time to buy against future needs. Storage of insecticides on the ranches and farms is not a difficult job as these chemicals deteriorate little during storage. Ordinary precaution must be taken both for the safety of the insecticides and for people and livestock. Apparently there is every

indication also that prices will increase. Savings in cost of insecticides should offset storage expense and interest on the investment. Furthermore if 1951 is a high income year then costs of insecticides for use in the spring of 1952 might be applied on 1951 expense and perhaps offer substantial tax savings.

## PROFITEERS

BILL SNYDER, wool market specialist in New Mexico, points out that about \$5.00, or 11 percent, of a \$50 wool suit is due to the cost of the raw wool on the sheep's back. In other words that is the gross return to the wool grower and that ain't all profit by any means. He has labor, feed, equipment, interest on investment, etc. to take out of this five bucks. About \$45 of this \$50 which an ordinary wool suit costs today goes to production and processing costs, such as labor, machinery repair and depreciation, taxes and retail mark-ups. So, if all growers were to receive as much as a dollar for their wool next spring, over say, eighty cents now — an increase in price of 25 percent for raw wool — such a rise would only increase the price of a \$50 suit by \$1.51.

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# BHC as Dip and Spray

## Spraying Tips

IT IS very difficult to write a great deal of definite interest about BHC as a dip and spray for sheep and other livestock as events have been covered rather thoroughly in the recent issue of this magazine; nevertheless the fact that other states have come to recognize BHC as an effective one dip for scabies is worthy of appreciation. Acceptance of BHC dip by these other states means thousands of dollars in savings to Texas sheepmen and a market for sheep unstoppered.

### Vat Side Dip Test

A big factor in the use of BHC in the dipping vat has been the uncertainty of knowing the effectiveness of the vat solution. A vat side test for this insecticide has been the object of study by DuPont, the U. S. D. A., and others for a long time.

A non-technical vat side test for the BHC now seems to be a reality. J. A. Evans of DuPont recently wrote the Association that "the test is quite accurate and the procurement of a representative sample of BHC dip from a vat in which the contents have been thoroughly mixed presents no difficulty. The major problem that remains to be solved is the filtering of dirty dip and the testing of the residue resulting from the filtering of dirty dip."

### Proper Agitation

The whole key to the BHC effectiveness seems to be the proper agitation of the vat mixture. Our suggestion for whatever it is worth is that those sheepmen who are dipping sheep procure a good power sprayer, weight the outlet hose to the bottom of one side of the vat, and turn on the power. The agitation of the air should stir the vat mixture sufficiently to go a good job.

### Spraying

BHC is not only good in the eradication of scabies when used as a dip but when used as directed is one of the chemical insecticide marvels recently discovered to aid the livestock industry. There are other insecticides in the BHC family — such as lindane which is a purified form of one of the components of BHC and is quite effective, odorless and brilliant-white — at least that which I saw was. However, DDT and lindane and BHC have their merits and demerits. Some say that DDT loses its effectiveness on flies after one or two seasons. Lindane is rather expensive and BHC doesn't have a pleasant odor. All, nevertheless, are a godsend to the livestock industry.

### Pressure

Down Brackettville way, the Petersen Ranch of which Buster Dooley is manager has been spraying livestock for the past six years — usually about five times a year. The ranch has worn out one Bean Sprayer and is on its second machine, which they like very much.

"The key to effective spraying of livestock is adequate pressure," declares Mr. Dooley. "We use not less than 500 power pressure. BHC has been found very effective in killing all

animal parasites — more effective than anything else we have tried."

The elimination of flies around the shearing pens and barns has worked a wonderful change on the ranch, according to Mr. Dooley. "Screwworm infestation even after shearing is almost non-existent. Spraying has almost eliminated the Gulf Coast tick which is found in our county."

### The Uses of a Sprayer

Chewing on a meaty, interesting subject is quite productive when a few ranchmen get together. The subject was "the uses of the power sprayers" and it was those extraordinary uses that was captivating the attention.

### Cleaning Water Troughs

One ranchman volunteered the information that a high pressure sprayer with the tank filled with clean water could clean out a steel or concrete water trough before you could say "scat."

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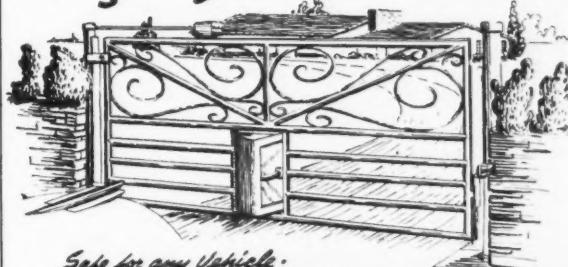
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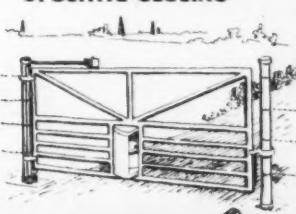
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## Gardner Buck Tops Junction Sale

AT THE annual Billy (Buck) Sale in Junction, August 10, the top Angora buck, an entry of Joe M. Gardner of Roosevelt, sold to E. E. Daugherty of Leakey for \$450. Ninety-three head of top Angoras were sold for an average of \$92, which was only \$4.50 a head under the average price for last year. The high-selling buck was sold \$5 under the price brought in 1950.

Goats were classified previous to the sale and 25 top bucks were chosen by Fred Earwood of Sonora. At the auction arena were 186 goats, half of which were sold through the ring, and the rest sold by private treaties. Len Jones of Junction auctioneered the sale.

E. E. Daugherty of Leakey, who bought the highest selling buck, sold the second highest priced goat to Winkel Polled Hereford Ranch at Llano for \$305. Another goat was sold at \$305 by Joe Gardner to C. N. Webb of Tennyson. Gardner also sold a premium goat to C. W. Adams of Roosevelt at \$250, and one to Cody Cardwell of Junction at \$210.

Emmett Pfluger of Eden purchased the largest number of goats for a total of 14 head at \$865. Love of Mountain Home bought seven head for \$700 and Morris Stansberry of Christoval took eight head at \$610.

Other buyers included J. C. McCurie of Lampasas, four for \$450; Carl Schmidt of Mason, five for \$420; J. D. Cowser of Junction, four for \$325; Walter Buck of Junction, four for \$290; Milton Smith of Marfa, five for \$285; Raymond Pfluger of Eden, three for \$270; Barney Wilson of Mertzon, three for \$255; T. W. Kothmann & Son of Mason, three for \$200; Francis Kidd of Menard,

three for \$195; David Bratton of Rochelle, two for \$185; Bill Allen of Junction, three for \$180; Herman Dye of Brady, two for \$175; Rankin Kothmann of Junction, two for \$160; Marvin Carley of Tennyson, two for \$145; Julius Hunger of Junction, two for \$115.

Buyers who bought single animals were: John Powell of Menard, Marvin Skaggs of Junction, Claude Haby of Leakey, Joe M. Gardner, Bill Bishop of Junction, Wilburn Gardner of Roosevelt, Roy Breed of Dripping Springs, Kelley Smith of Mason, and W. A. Elms.

### 8,000 SHEEP SOLD AT JUNCTION SALE

THE BIGGEST sale in the history of the Ranchers Commission Company at Junction took place Wednesday, August 8, when more than 8,000 sheep and goats and almost 500 cattle sold for a total of about \$150,000.

Cause for the big run was given as dry weather but prices were strong on everything but killer ewes and bucks and packer goats.

Lamb top sold at 31 cents a pound and other food lambs brought 30 to 30½ cents a pound.

E. H. Pinson and Russell Hays of San Angelo loaded 1,500 lambs at Barnhart the first week in August for George Montgomery of Ozona. The lambs, which averaged 60 pounds, sold at 28 cents a pound. They were shipped to Oklahoma feeders. Ollie B. Page of Barnhart arranged the sale.

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# Rams Average \$74 at Junction Sheep Sale

THE ALL-BREED Sheep Sale at Junction, August 24, moved 179 rams through the auction ring for an average price of \$74. This price is based on five breeds.

Rambouillet stud rams averaged \$177 and the average on 165 range rams was \$74. The ewes, 61 in number, averaged \$39.40. There were about 75 sheep to be passed out of the ring unsold.

Highest price of the sale was for a Rambouillet stud ram consigned by Floyd Bierschalek of Segovia. The ram brought \$310 from Milburn Pinkerton of Junction.

Range rams in the different divisions made the following averages: Rambouilletts, 104 head, \$70; Columbias, 21 head, \$53; Suffolks, 14 head, \$52; and Corriedales, 2 head, \$67.50. One Corriedale stud ram from T. C. Stanford of Eldorado brought \$165 from Bill Oliver of Junction.

The sale was held at the Fairgrounds arena and sponsored by the Hill Country Fair Association. Lem Jones was auctioneer.

#### Buyers

Dempster Jones of Ozona paid \$205 for a Rambouillet from O. Sudduth of Eldorado. Clyde Hill of Sonora paid \$205 for a Rambouillet from R. R. Walston of Menard. J. D. Cowcett of Junction brought two A. W. Key rams from Eldorado at \$220 and \$200. J. W. Cox of Garden City purchased a Jackie Landers ram for \$200. Clay Holland of Junction bought a C. O. Bruton ram from Eldorado at \$200. Morgan & Lemley sold a ram to Chetty Porter of Junction at \$200.

Nelson Johnson of San Angelo was the biggest buyer with the purchase of 28 rams for a total of \$1,635. Chetty Porter bought 29 ewes for a total of \$1,179 besides the ram.

Other buyers included: Chester Bannowsky, Lem Flemming, Johnny Jones, R. D. Kothmann, Murray Jarvis, Billy Hooks, George Lane, Terry Jetton, Luke Hagood, Cecil Woodard, D. E. Jackson & Son, Lem Jones, Gay Sieker, Reuben Bode, Louie Ragland, David Evans and Dr. H. E. Wright.

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Otho Drake of San Angelo has shipped 417 head of yearling muttons to Farmers Union in Omaha, Nebraska, at 24½ cents.

Sol Weatherby, San Angelo representative of the Triplett Cattle Co., has received 300 steer yearlings from Claude Collins of Artesia, New Mexico. They averaged 550 pounds. Price was 35 cents per pound.

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## BHC AS DIP

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clear up the trouble, but one ranchman declared recently that his power spraying machine had been of immense service. "I just hook up the machine and clean out the line."

## Just a Few Ideas

These were some of the ideas tossed about in this jaw session of ranchmen. As I recollect, one ranchman said, "You can paint a big barn with your sprayer without running paint through the main container. Just use the paint adapter most sprayers have."

Another said, "Spraying the galvanized barn roof with paint will make the barn 30 degrees cooler."

"The stuff that is sprayed underneath the fenders of automobiles is being tried and seems successful in coating the inside of the spray tank against erosion and rust," declared another.

There you are with some ideas. You may know all these and some more, too. If you don't mind, let's pass them on, too.

Jimmy Mills, livestock dealer of Del Rio, has purchased about 35,000 lambs along the Southern Pacific lines mainly between Brackettville and Comstock. He has paid 30 to 32 cents a pound for mixed lambs and 29 and 30 cents for straight muttons. Lambs are averaging about seven to eight pounds lighter than last year — or between 55 and 65 pounds.

## WHAT'S NEW

MARTIN AUTOMATIC  
BUMPER GATE

SEVERAL YEARS ago, a Lewis G. Martin, a carpenter by trade, took a week-end trip into the country to visit some friends. During this trip he went through a number of gates, one being an old wooden bumper gate that smashed a rear fender on his car.

Upon his return home, Mr. Martin began experimenting with the design of a drive through gate that would not smash fenders. After considerable time and effort he built a full size model that worked well enough to interest the Southwest Research Institute in San Antonio, Texas. The institute worked on the idea, built several full scale models and made many improvements over a period of approximately two years. Experiments and research on work more essential to National Security caused the Institute to return and release the gate to Mr. Martin in an improved but not quite marketable state.

Mr. Martin then turned the gate over to Albert Dean, Jr., owner of a Sheet Metal Shop and Manufacturing Plant in San Antonio, Texas. Mr. Dean is well known in his locality for his interest in development and improvement of worthwhile ideas.

Mr. Dean made several improvements in design and construction, notable among these being the addition of the hydraulic mechanism which can be adjusted to hold the gate open the desired time for either car or truck and trailer to pass without being struck during passage. Also, the improvement in design of the bumping mechanism which will throw the gate clear of the vehicle when the pressure release latch is actuated. During the past year, Mr. Dean has put the gate through an actual field testing and proving period. It has been set up in many locations under as many foreseeable conditions as possible. Improvements and changes have been made as the needs indicated. Many refinements have been added. Additional patents have been applied for and the gate is being placed on the market through Mr. Dean's factory representative who is authorized to establish dealers that have the facility for making a correct installation of the gate, and in territory where the demand would warrant such dealers.

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SAFETY IN the use of hormone brush and weed killers has received a great new impetus through the release of two new "saftened" 2,4-D and 2,4,5-T weed killer and brush killer products by the California Spray Chemical Corporation. The manufacturers report that these materials are now of such low volatility that they have been used adjacent to sensitive plants and have not caused vapor damage from the hormone weed killer. In the past, tremendous damage

## SHEEP &amp; GOAT RAISER

has been caused to various crops through vaporization of ester 2,4-D.

The two new products released by California Spray Chemical Corporation include both 2,4-D and 2,4,5-T mixtures as well as the straight 2,4,5-T product. The new products are the "tetra hydro furfuryl alcohol" esters of 2,4-D and 2,4,5-T. In one product, ESTERSIDE TD-2 Brush Killer, the formulation contains two pounds each of 2,4-D and 2,4,5-T per gallon, while ESTERCIIDE T-4 Brush Killer, the formulation contains four pounds 2,4,5-T per gallon.

Safety in use and handling of chemicals has been an important subject of research by pesticide manufacturers. The introduction of these two new low volatile ester products will mark a greatly improved safety in use for the very valuable hormone weed and brush killers which are so useful in agriculture.

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A SOIL analysis service is being offered to southwestern ranchmen a service to determine the character of soil and the available mineral content of the forage the soil is producing. From the soil analysis the deficiencies are determined and supplemental minerals are furnished the livestock to restore proper mineral balance.

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Competition was strong in the goat division and Joe Brown Ross of Sonora was the judge.

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## BOY AND HIS GOAT LIVING TO RIPE OLD AGE

By Mrs. Ross Snodgrass

FOURTEEN AND a half years ago, in the spring of 1937, a little Angora goat was born on the Ernest Leinweber Ranch near Mountain Home. Mr. Leinweber took special interest in the kid because its mother died during a rain and ice storm and the orphan had to be hand-fed to survive.

The Leinweber's son, Lanny, who was born in September, 1936, was a young and thriving man of four or five months and was calling for a bottle at three hour intervals when the goat was born that spring. Mr. Leinweber was pretty used to seeing the bottles of warm milk being prepared for his son, so he decided to add to the welfare of the little goat in the same way. Bottles were secured for the goat, which from that time on never had to be called more than once at feeding time. Mr. Leinweber cared for the small Angora for the several days during the cold, icy winter and made a real pet and friend. As the little goat grew, so did Master Lanny grow and the two "kids" became very good friends. Lanny could give a call for "Sancho" and the goat would come to him if he were in hearing distance at all.

As the "Sancho" got older he was used year after year in the shearing pen when a lead goat was needed to help pen a bunch of sheep or goats. While Lanny was a small boy, he used his first little western saddle on the goat and would ride him around the ranch house. Lanny's father suggested from time to time that they might as well sell "Sancho" when some of the livestock would be sold from the ranch. But it never did quite suit Lanny to think of selling the friendly goat and he would always tell his dad, "Let's wait 'til next year." So far, that year has not arrived.

Just as a way of checking on the goat's money making qualities, he has been sheared 28 times up to the present date. While a young goat he sheared a heavy fleece for several years, but the mohair poundage has diminished in the last several years. However, Mr. Leinweber figures that through the years he has averaged about eight pounds of mohair annually. With the prices of mohair changing so much during the last 15 years, the average price received for the hair has been about 50 cents a pound. Therefore, the "Sancho" has rewarded his owner with about \$56.00 from his mohair sales, and much more than that in companionship to Lanny.

One time the Mexican "capitan" of the shearing crew wanted a goat to butcher for his shearers and Mr. Leinweber told him to take the pet goat and start to camp with it. Young Lanny happened to be near at hand though, and it did not take him long to go and repossess his pet from the "capitan". He told his dad that he could give the shearers any other goat in the pen but that "Sancho" was never to be mistreated or handled by anyone else but himself.



LANNY LEINWEBER  
... and 14-year-old "Sancho"

According to the World Book, the average life of a goat is 15 years and "Sancho" has proved that they can live that long. His teeth are still good, though turning dark and becoming loose. Lanny says he will feed "Sancho" on special food if necessary just to see how long he will live.

In September, 1937, the Leinwebers moved from a leased ranch to their present home near the head of West Frio River in Real County. They purchased land from the Dietert Brothers Estate about 20 miles north of Leakey. Lanny, their only child, has attended school in Leakey for several years and has done a lot of work in the FFA and 4-H Clubs and being a Judging Team member, has made numerous trips with the Real County Agent, Al Garrett. This summer he attended the 4-H Club Round-up at A & M College. To go to school he rides the bus for a total of 90-miles per day round trip.

Mr. Leinweber has a number of extra fine Border Collie Sheep Dogs, which he has shown in the Kerrville Sheep Dog Trials a number of times. At one show Mr. Leinweber and Lanny put on a father-and-son exhibition and worked a dog and his puppy in the arena. The pup was only a few months old at the time but delighted the spectators by his performance as he listened and watched Lanny for signals, just as the older dog watched Mr. Leinweber for commands.

Lanny loves the dogs but challenges the statement in their favor about "man's best friend." He steadily defends his lifelong friend and allows no one to get his goat.

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of the windmill could be seen and heard — sucking air. The ranchman on observing the rather surprising sight decided that while the water was low he might as well put new leathers in the cylinder — which he did — saving him the onerous task of pulling the rods.

Russell Hayes of San Angelo bought 4,400 mutton lambs from Jack Richardson of Uvalde. The lambs, mostly Rambouillet, weighed about 65 lbs. coming off irrigated alfalfa grazing.



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## DROUGHT OF '86

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a relief appropriation, and steps were taken to get assistance from other sources. This later move was destined to lead to a widespread controversy which waxed hot and furious for several months.

Practically everybody was willing for the Legislature or Congress to set aside appropriations for the part of the people in actual distress, but a

COTTONSEED MEAL  
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COTTONSEED hulls are not coming in as yet so the supply is low, Maurice Nixon, manager of the Western Cottonoil Mill in San Angelo reports. However, large quantities of hulls have been purchased in South Texas and will be available soon. The mill has enough to furnish small feed pens now.

So far the mill has booked no protein feeds for winter delivery. Price per ton on the 41 per cent meal is \$75 f. o. b. the mill, and the quotation on pellets is \$77 per ton. These prices are about \$10 lower than those of two months ago.

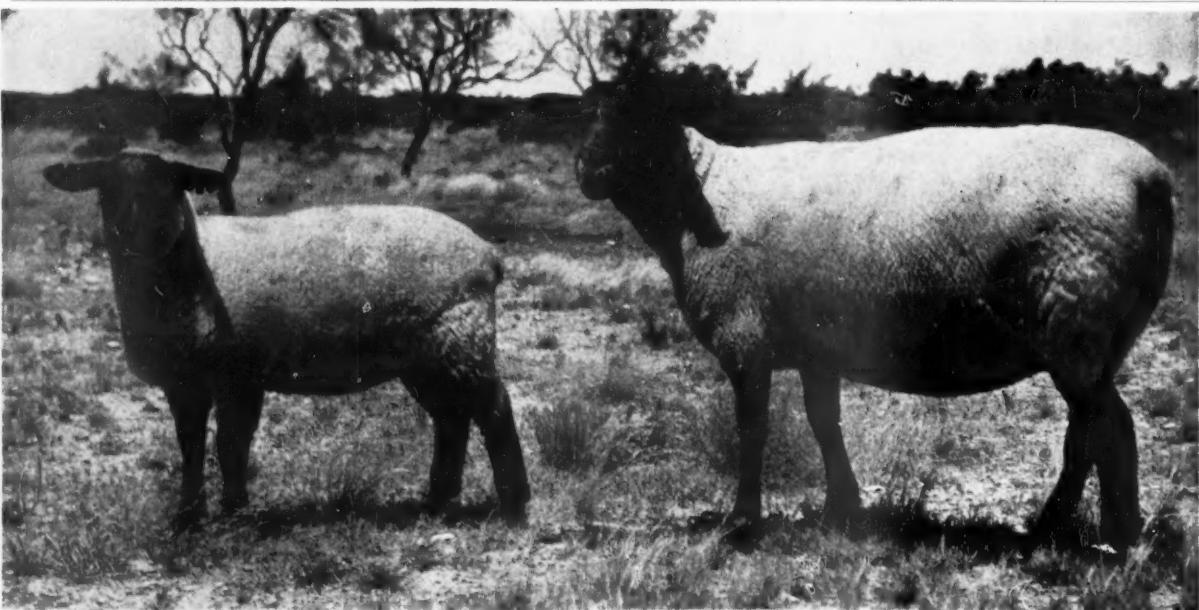
disension arose over the question of starting campaigns for voluntary contributions, especially outside the state. The difference of opinion was due to four things. In the first place, the uneven distribution of the drought caused the people in various places to form different opinions about the general outlook of the country. Some rains had fallen in Burnet, Llano, Mason and Menard counties. Although little or no cotton was made, there was some foodstuff, mainly forage, and grass; and stock water was never as scarce there as in the region north and south of this tier of counties. A slow rain for three days during April, 1886, caused Shackelford County to be in better condition than the surrounding region.

In the second place, pride caused differences of opinion. Very often, individuals and families in the direst need would refuse help because they could not endure the idea of being "objects of charity." A few whole counties, apparently moved by a community pride, openly rejected all voluntary aid. The amount of pride was usually determined by the degree of necessity in which the people found themselves. When they became hungry enough, their pride underwent a rapid decline. An example of this took place in Haskell County. The citizens of Shackelford County devised ways and means for aiding the farmers of Haskell County. On September 3, 1886, a mass meeting composed of the merchants and the more substantial farmers and ranchmen, was held at Haskell courthouse, and the offer of

Shackelford County was politely, but firmly, rejected. The meeting was not representative; two weeks later, a second meeting, composed of the small farmers in actual need, met at the same place. This meeting condemned the action of the previous one, and agreed to accept any donations offered.

A third element tending to cause a difference of opinion was the boasting spirit, of which West Texas had always had more than its share. Abilene was widely known during the 80's as the "Windy City," a term which had much more of a figurative meaning than otherwise. The spirit of the boosters was later taken over by the West Texas Chamber of Commerce. The booster instinctively looked askance upon anything that would reflect upon the reputation, the glory, or the land sales of the county.

The newspapers outside the state showed a decided tendency to exaggerate the accounts of the drought. In view of the fact that it was one of the most exciting things happening that summer, together with the Charleston earthquake, it was exploited for all it was worth, just as the Mississippi floods were heralded in the spring of 1927. But whether the outside newspapers magnified the disaster or not, the real estate agents resented it. Some of the West Texas editors became furious when they saw items from their own pens quoted in Chicago newspapers. They could indulge humor about their own adversities, but let a writer in Kentucky re-publish their homemade humor and their



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wrath fairly blazed. It is not strange that those who persistently insisted upon singing the praises of the country, regardless of whether they were motivated by local or personal interest, would oppose any movement to discredit their cause. Nothing could have done more to substantiate the rumors circulating out of the state than to put on a relief campaign.

The fourth cause of controversy was the antipathy of a certain class of cattlemen or the small farmer, "nester," as he was contemptibly called. This class represented the unscrupulous cattlemen, and, in justice to others, it may be said that they constituted a minority. These men opposed any kind of aid for the farmers, because they wanted to starve them out. They looked upon the settler as a sort of pest which was steadily advancing westward and ruining the only industry which the Creator ever intended for West Texas, namely, cattle raising. They grimly viewed the drouth as a blessing just as the Texas farmer today rejoices over a blizzard sufficiently cold to freeze the boll weevil. Although cattlemen suffered severely from the drouth, their plight was not nearly so bad as that of farmers.

The first appeal for state relief came in connection with the land problem. To pay the interest on the unpatented school land was out of the question. Under the law the land board had no authority to postpone forfeitures because of non-payment of interest. Upon the investigation of Judge T. B. Wheeler and the recommendation of Governor Ireland, the Land Board passed a resolution that such land would be withheld from re-sale until the Legislature had met and had been given an opportunity to remedy the distress of the drouth-stricken farmers and settlers.

The one form of relief on which the entire country unanimously agreed was remittance of taxes by the Legislature. The average American has always had an aversion for taxes, and the West Texan was no exception. When the 20th Legislature met it found itself flooded with petitions to that end. One or two newspapers timidly raised their voices to show the fallacy of such a procedure, and undertook to show that the principal beneficiaries would be non-residents, such as railroads and cattle corporations, who did not need relief. The Haskell Free Press pointed out that in Haskell County the property of non-residents was rendered at \$249,000. A remittance policy to that county would have meant that the state would have lost about \$5.25 for each \$1.00 saved for the actual drouth sufferers. Be that as it may, the idea of tax exemption was extremely popular with the people but the Legislature was not to be stampeded by such a demand.

Instead, it turned to another form of relief. A bill was passed and approved in February, 1887, setting aside \$100,000 to be used to purchase corn, flour, and meal for the destitute people in the drouth area. Under the provisions of the Act, a committee of three, appointed by the governor, visited the counties of the drouth area and determined the amount which each county should receive. When the final distribution was made, approximately 29,999 people were aided; the average amount was about \$3.25 per



person. As much needed as the fund was, there were some people in the drouth section who opposed it. The thing most desired was seed. One infuriated editor wrote that "the people could live on prairie dogs and jack-rabbits, but they could not raise a crop without seed to plant." So great was the demand for seeds that the commissioners recommended to the Legislature that an additional appropriation be made for that particular purpose, but nothing resulted from the resolution.

During the winter of 1886-7, the boosters, those persons who always went about with a "hip, hip, hurrah for this glorious country," a small and bedraggled group by this time, experienced a new uneasiness—fear of the speculators. They had visions of great hordes of these persons coming steadily into the country, listening quietly while the settlers told of their tales of woe; then, they would run down the country, praise another place where they used to live or some new El Dorado just discovered; in the next breath tell the impoverished farmer that if he wished to go there he, the speculator, would purchase the farmer's property for about one-third of its value just to accommodate him and enable him to get away. The people were warned over and over to hold their land and beware of the speculator.

This calamity never materialized. The speculators were more afraid of the country than the residents were. A large amount of property changed hands at only a fraction of its value, but, as a rule, it was about as much a sacrifice for the one who bought it as for those who sold.

By May, 1887, the drouth was broken in West Texas, with the exception of a district in southwest Texas and another in the Panhandle where cattle died for lack of water and grass during the summer of 1887. With rains in the Spring of 1887, the price of cattle advanced. Cattle had been cheap during 1886, because they were so poor they were worth nothing for beef, and everybody was trying to sell. Cattle that could not be sold for \$5.00 a head in 1886 were worth \$10.00 in May, 1887.

For several years after the drouth of '86, the newspapers were filled with various plans, schemes, and suggestions for preventing drouths. The professional rainmaker appeared. He could always get, not only an audience, but funds by popular donation to carry out his experiments. Some people said that dry weather was due to lack of vegetation. This group strongly advocated a law to require every settler on school land to plant ten acres in trees. Other people urged plowing up the vegetation. Perhaps, the most sensible outcome of the agitation was an interest in the matter of dry-land farming. Drouth-resisting crops were discussed; the Abilene Reporter urged the people to plant castor beans. Many of the suggestions were impractical, but they all were helpful in that they tended to stimulate interest in dry-land farming. Irrigation was discussed enthusiastically as a drouth remedy; and the Texas and Pacific Railroad Company bored a number of artesian wells across the drouth area to see if underground water could be had in sufficient quantities. The company also sent a corps of engineers to California to study irrigation in that state and determine whether California methods could be employed in Texas.

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## and News of Woman's Auxiliary

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### Contestants To Be Housed At Methodist Assembly

CONTESTANTS in the 1951 "Make It Yourself With Wool or Mohair" contest will be housed in the Methodist Assembly at Kerrville. The one big show held in Texas this year will be in conjunction with the Wool and Mohair Festival at Kerrville, October 3-6. Formerly area shows were held for contestants and the local show winners advanced to the state finals. All entries this year will compete in Kerrville for savings bond prizes and the high point winner will be crowned Wool and Mohair Shepherdess of Texas.

The Methodist Assembly is about a mile from the western edge of the Kerrville city limits. Deadline for reservations there will be September 30. Deadline for entries in the contest is September 15. The contest show will be held the night of October 5. All contestants who plan to stay at the Assembly must be there by 5 p. m. Thursday, October 4, the afternoon

before the judging and the main show.

Each girl is asked to bring one double sheet, a pillowcase and a towel.

The building is a dormitory-style structure which can accommodate 272 persons. There is a large reception area downstairs and all the pre-show judging will take place there. If girls do not stay at the Assembly they will report there at 5 p. m., October 4, for judging instructions.

Cost will be \$1.00 per night per girl for lodging. This reasonable rate is made because the Assembly is operated by a church organization which is tax free and therefore cannot operate on a money-making basis.

Housing chairman in Kerrville is Mrs. Emerson Lutz, 300 Spence Ave., Kerrville. Those interested in further information or in making advance reservations should write Mrs. Lutz.

### Coronation Is Climax Of Angora Socials

ROCKSPRINGS was host to many social events during the Texas Angora Goat Raisers' annual show and sale there. A coffee was given in honor of the breeders' wives and the Queen and her court by the Chamber of Commerce. A luncheon honoring the ladies of the court and their escorts was given by the Lions Club, the Merry Heart Club, the American Legion Auxiliary, the Woman's Club and the Music Club. A "Coke" party for the coronation participants given by the mothers of the Rocksprings girls in the coronation was held after the rehearsal. The dance, immediately after the coronation, was sponsored by the Rocksprings Roping Club.

Chamber of Commerce committees who worked on the coronation and social events are as follows:

**HOSPITALITY:** Mesdames S. S. Shanklin, Claud Gilmer, O. L. McNealy, Sr., Proctor Dunbar, Jesse Evans, S. V. Edwards, J. L. Balentine, Juhan Jenkins, Thomas Taylor, Walker Dismukes, Warren Hutt, M. E. Stone and Dan McKnight, all of Rocksprings, and Mrs. Jack Patterson of Leakey.

**COFFEE:** Mesdames Brooks Sweeten, Dor Brown, Gay Franks, W.

G. Brown, W. W. Sherrill, Brown Epperson, Sydney Snyder, Fred Ross and John Brown, with Misses Joyce Jenkins, Hazel Ellen Brown and Joyce Hutt, all of Rocksprings, assisting.

**LUNCHEON:** Lions Club, Woman's Club, Merry Heart Club, Music Club and the Legion Auxiliary.

**COKE PARTY:** Mesdames Louie Craig, J. E. Tatum, W. G. Brown, A. E. Mayes, and Lowell Hankins.

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### Plans Nearing Completion for Wool and Mohair Festival

BY MRS. JOHN V. SAUL

IN PLANNING the Texas Wool and Mohair Festival, to be held at Kerrville October 3, 4, 5 and 6, all the color and glamour of the wool and mohair industry will be depicted. The highlight of the four-day festival will be the naming of the Texas Wool and Mohair Shepherdess. The Festival, under sponsorship of the Kerrville Lions Club, along with the Hill Country Chapter of the Texas Sheep and Goat Raisers' Auxiliary is progressing with plans for a great array of events. The activities will take place at the Corral Club on the Junction Highway and a varied program is being worked out to interest everyone.

Among the special features of the four-day festival will be displays in the downtown Kerrville stores where hand-made articles for home uses, such as hooked rugs made of wool, a demonstration of weaving from wool and mohair on the looms, and many other items will be shown. Mrs. Mortiz Holekamp of Kerrville is display chairman. Mrs. Ross Snodgrass, president of the Hill Country Chapter, has issued an invitation to clubs of the surrounding towns to send in displays for the festival and many articles are already being offered. Mrs. Snodgrass said this promises to be a most colorful and attractive event within itself. It will be known as the "Make It Yourself With Wool and Mohair" Displays.

Girls and young women from all over Texas who will enter the Fifth Annual "Make It Yourself With Wool or Mohair" sewing contest will be in the Hill Country city to participate in the finals this year. The style show for 1951 differs from those of former years in that there will be only one show instead of the numerous area shows throughout the state.

The girls who will take part in the style show will have their woolen or mohair garments judged by a list of competent judges. Awards will be saving bonds.

To be able to enter the contest a girl must cut, sew, and fit her own dress without actual help from anyone

else. There will be a Junior Class for girls 14 through 17; and the Senior Class for girls from 18 through 22. They may make either a suit, coat, or dress including formal dresses. Entries must be sent to Mrs. W. B. Wilson, 1510 West Avenue J, San Angelo, Texas, by September 15. Entry blanks may be found in the back of the brochures published by the Wool Bureau of New York and placed in stores where woolen materials are sold. Brochures are also available by writing directly to Mrs. Wilson. It is not required that the girl's garment be completed by September 15, but she must have bought her material and be able to give answers to the questions on the entry blank.

High point winner of the entire contest will be named the Texas Wool and Mohair Shepherdess.

### FALL PROMOTION READY ON WOMEN'S WEAR

COPIES OF the women's wear promotion package for Fall, containing all the elements needed for retail promotions of wool women's apparel and piece goods in specialty shops and department stores, were mailed in June to more than 5,000 stores across the nation.

The package includes suggested displays for coats, back-to-school apparel, suits and yard goods, as well as window and interior display materials, literature for direct mail campaigns and newspaper advertising mats.

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Release of the package was announced at The Wool Bureau's annual press reception in its New York headquarters.

## Coffee Entertains Women At Rocksprings Meet

WIVES OF the registered goat breeders and members of the Mohair Queen's court and their families were honored guests at a coffee given Friday morning, August 3, at the Memorial Hall in Rocksprings. This coffee was given by the Edwards County Chamber of Commerce as a gesture of hospitality to the visiting ladies.

Acting as hostesses for the Chamber of Commerce were Mesdames Brooks Sweeten, Brown Epperson, C. Gardner Franks, Dor Brown, Sydney Snyder, James Rudsall, Dan McKnight, J. H. Brown, Gay Franks, Word Sherrill, W. G. Brown and Fred Ross.

Receiving the more than one hundred guests who called during the morning were Mrs. Brown Epperson, Mrs. Joe B. Ross, wife of the President of the TAGRA and AAGBA, Mrs. Juhan Jenkins, Mrs. Souli Shanklin, Mrs. L. A. Clark and Mrs. Thomas L. Taylor.

Mrs. C. Gardner Franks presided at the register and presented each guest with a small printed program, which gave a schedule of the social events of the TAGRA annual Show and Sale in Rocksprings. Delicate pink flowers made of Mohair thread were beautifully arranged in a silver bowl on the registry table.

Mesdames Word Sherrill, J. H. Brown, W. G. Brown, Dor Brown, Sydney Snyder, Gay Franks, Fred Ross and James Rudsall alternated at the serving table. Misses Joyce

Hutt, Hazel Ellen Brown and Joyce Jenkins assisted with the serving. During the coffee hour Miss Alta Mae Miller, Miss Cappy Brown and Miss Mary Beth Fleischer played appropriate music.

The centerpiece on the serving table was a beautiful arrangement of handmade Mohair flowers and butterflies placed in a setting of lacy fern in a low silver bowl. The flowers were made in the natural Mohair color with yellow centers, and the butterflies were in pastel colors. Yellow tapers in tall silver candelabra flanked the centerpiece. Melon balls were served with brightly colored toothpicks from a melon basket, which gave added color to the coffee table. A lovely antique coffee service enhanced the beauty of the table. Completing the morning menu was an assortment of coffee rolls.

The Mohair theme was further carried out in using the graceful handmade flowers and butterflies in arrangements on the piano and mantel and also small Mohair butterflies worn by the hostesses.

Mrs. Brooks Sweeten was committee chairman and it was through her efforts that Mohair was given its rightful position at the coffee, as a versatile fiber in the decorative scheme. The original idea of designing Mohair flowers and butterflies for use in the decoration at the coffee was presented by Mrs. Brown Epperson and Mrs. Dor Brown.

### NEWS FROM BANDERA COUNTY

IN SPITE of hot dry weather and very little rain, Bandera County produced a bigger-than-usual hay crop this year — and got it put into the barn in good shape. Quite a bit of this hay was alfalfa and we'll nominate Thomas Bauerlin of Medina and Mac Joiner of Bandera as champion alfalfa producers. Both are now completely sold out and could have sold much more successfully. L. E. Vickery, Vocational Ag. teacher bought the last of Mac's hay, six tons, for Ag. students who will feed out lambs.

#### More Machinery

J. L. Carr at Tarpley has the newest irrigation pump outfit we have seen. It is a 3 x 3 pump mounted on the front of his tractor and run about 500 gallons per minute for his new sprinkler system. If you are interested in this type of irrigation, go out to see these folks. We can learn a lot from those who try them out.

#### Junior Livestock Show

If our count is correct, there will be 24 fat calves in the 1952 County Junior Livestock Show. This is more than ever. There will also be nearly 300 fat lambs! 4-H members will have 15 calves, not counting three head over in the Sabinal Canyon, which will be shown at Uvalde. 4-H members will also have about 130 fat lambs

and 33 commercial ewes. The show will, of course, be by far the biggest we have ever had.

#### Newcomers

Dr. Howard Heck of San Antonio has purchased the Leach Ranch (the old A. B. Taylor place) on the Kerrville road above Medina and is fixing up the house. Russell Koontz has leased the pasture and will stock it. Dr. Heck is an old friend and we are glad to see him up here. And speaking of fixing up places — Howard Eckhart and Joe Green are really building a nice home for Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Wagner on the old Travis Moursand ranch up on Pipe Creek.

### DEVIL'S RIVER NEWS HAS NEW SLANT ON CONTEST

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### ROBERTS REPORTS THAT GOATS ARE SCARCE

PERCY ROBERTS, who headquarters at the Cactus Hotel has just about as good a grasp of the goat situation as anyone in the business. He reports that as far as he knows, California is cleaned of goats and Oregon has only a few, scattered, small herds left — contrary to government estimates of several thousand head.

"I worked the states and couldn't find them," he declared. He states that no other state has goats with the quality of Texas goats and that few other states have enough left even for comparison.

Mr. Roberts has been buying scattered bunches of goats in Texas during August. All through the month, he says, prices especially on old goats have shown wide fluctuation ranging around the \$6.00 per head figure. Early in the month he purchased some 1100 does from Gilmer Morris at \$10 per head. He got about 500 four-to-six year old does from Arthur Henderson of Van Court, about 1000 head of yearling-to-four year old goats from Vestel Askew of Sonora and paid \$10 per head for them.

He got a carload of old goats from Johnny Hamby of Sonora at \$8.00 and made numerous other purchases of small number of goats.

Roberts is running his goats on ranches at Brownwood and Uvalde.

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### Johnson Auctions

## TWO SHEEP SALES SET FOR SEPTEMBER

THE ORIGINAL schedule of Nelson Johnson ram sales was altered this year due to drought conditions. Recent rains have indicated that the most serious part of the drought is past so the annual Suffolk sale will be held September 10 and the Rambouillet sale, September 19.

The sale on September 10 will be the twelfth annual Suffolk sale conducted by Johnson.

"Suffolk sheep have been very popular with the man whose program it is to sell all of his lambs. However, those who carry over the crossbred ewe lambs have in recent years received a very nice premium from them as yearling ewes," Mr. Johnson commented. "There has been a very keen demand," he continued, "for Suffolks in Kentucky, Tennessee, Mississippi and Louisiana."

"This sale will offer mostly well-developed yearling rams — some registered — some purebred, and will include a number of good stud rams. Several Texas breeders will have consignments but none will come directly from the northwestern states. Breeders in that area have been able to market their range rams this year at prices around \$200 a head and dispose of their range sheep," Johnson said.

#### Rambouillet

The Rambouillet sale on September 19 will consist principally of yearling range rams of Texas breeding, which because of dry weather have been wintered in California.

Auctioneer Johnson noted that high wool prices the past season had stimulated the demand for good Rambouillet rams. "There is a very critical Rambouillet shortage in the mountain states," he said. The result of the recent National Ram Sale at Salt Lake City where Rambouillet averaged \$310, reflects the keen demand for this breed.

It is the general opinion, Johnson thinks, that this shortage will exist in Texas provided general rains come in time to enable Texas ranchmen to retain their normal supply of breeding ewes.

"This sale will probably be the largest accumulation of good yearling Rambouillet rams that will be offered anywhere in the Southwest," Johnson said.

**Russell Hayes of San Angelo** purchased 1,000 head of the L. B. Cox, Jr. and Son lambs at Ozona. The lambs, Rambouillet muttons, were bought for September 4 delivery at 30 cents a pound.

**Bert Kincaid of San Angelo** has purchased some lambs and plans to restock his ranch seven miles west of Rankin and move there. For the last year he has pastured other people's livestock on the Rankin place.

**Roscoe Graham of San Angelo** got delivery, August 25, on 1,000 solid-mouth ewes from Paul Perner of Ozona. Price was \$16 per head.

**Kelly Owen of San Saba**, member of the Owen brothers firm bought between 2,500 to 3,000 mixed Rambouillet lambs from M. D. Bryant of San Angelo.

These lambs were contracted earlier by Bryant from Baugh Brothers of Marfa under a unique contract arrangement.

The price was not set by either the buyer or the seller but was determined on the average price paid for such lambs on the Fort Worth market for the four days preceding the delivery date.

Show dates for the San Antonio Livestock Exposition have been announced for February 15 to 24, 1952. James A. Gray, San Angelo, is superintendent of sheep and goat show.

### GOAT EXPORTING BUSINESS GOOD

**JOE BROWN ROSS** of Sonora, president of the Texas Angora Goat Raisers Association and the American Angora Goat Breeders Association, reports that the goat exporting business should be good this year. Ross said he had received inquiries from Formosa and the Virgin Islands regarding exportation of Angora goats.

He shipped, August 16, two yearling does and a yearling buck to Quebec, Canada.

He also sent ten doe kids to India. Tom Davis of Sonora, Rambouillet breeder, sent ten ewe lambs and six ram lambs to India in the same shipment with the Ross goats. At press time, the method of transportation to India had not been determined. A sea voyage requires 45 days.

The India Commission Co., a government firm, purchased these sheep and goats, and it is presumed they will be used to improve herds in that country.



**SAN ANGELO RESERVE CHAMPION** — The 1951 Reserve Champion Rambouillet Ram of the San Angelo Show was bred and raised by Miles Pierce of Alpine. This ram was purchased by Ted Bailey Joy of Roosevelt for \$750, the third highest price paid at the San Angelo Sale in July.

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Salt is the logical carrier for these trace minerals — cobalt, iron, copper, manganese, iodine. Here's why.

Salt furnishes the chloride for hydrochloric acid needed to break down protein. It also puts the trace minerals, particularly iron, in more usable form. Salt also supplies the sodium of the bile for the digestion and assimilation of fats and carbohydrates.

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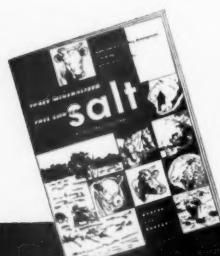
In other words, there is a direct relationship between the functions of trace minerals and the functions of salt. They work together for one over-all beneficial effect — more vigorous health, faster gains, lower feeding costs and greater livestock profits.

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